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TRUMAN TO ASK FOR TIGHTER ESPIONAGE LAWS

Attorney General Clark Says Administration Plans Extensive Drive on Spies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Tighter laws for trapping and punishing spies—including legalized tapping of suspects' telephones—will be a primary project of the Truman administration in the new Congress, Attorney General Clark said today.

"We'll have some recommendations right at the beginning of the session in January amendments to the present statutes on espionage," Clark told reporters after a cabinet meeting at the White House.

He elaborated at the Justice department later, telling a reporter that the department will make a recommendation "concerning the use of technical surveillance—in plain words, wire tapping—in spy cases."

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High Court Told Ruling on Japs May Not 'Stick'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman today told the Supreme court that General Douglas MacArthur would not have to obey a high court order for release of Japanese war lords convicted of war crimes.

General MacArthur's first duty is as supreme commander for the Allied powers, Perlman said, and as such he takes orders from the Far Eastern commission comprising 11 nations.

"That," commented Justice Douglas, "is a rather startling statement."

"Why," pursued Douglas, "cannot MacArthur release these Japanese when he as their jailer is an American citizen? Although he acts for 11 nations, he's still an American. So far as he acts as an American, can't he be controlled by American courts?"

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INDUSTRIES HERE AWARD BONUSES FOR CHRISTMAS

1000 Employees in Area Receive Yule Presents, Many Based on Seniority

By ED ROSENBERG (Mercury Staff Writer)

Christmas bonuses will mean extra cheer this year for more than 1000 employees of Pottstown industries, stores, textile mills, banks and other places of business.

The bonuses will range from a few dollars for the newly-hired men and women whom employers want to share in the added Yuletide cheer, to hundreds of dollars, in some cases, for those with long years of service.

On the average, a Christmas bonus, or present, as many firms prefer to call it, will be between \$25 and \$50.

In addition, many organizations will present their workers with turkeys, and plant parties will be more numerous this year than ever before.

At the local store of the P. W. Woolworth company, 23 men and women will receive up to \$50, depending upon length of service, as in the majority of firms.

The W. T. Grant company sees it that all men and women with a minimum of two months service are presented with a present up to \$50 during the Christmas season. Sixteen will share the Christmas pie at Grant's store here.

In Siove, the E. V. Hunter corporation, underwear manufacturers, has paid a bonus this year of \$22,168.75, to approximately 200 members of the organization.

Key men are rewarded according to the value of their service in the company, while other employees receive \$6.25, \$12.50 or \$25, depending upon their length of service. Twenty-five dollars goes to those employed on or before Oct. 31, 1947.

In addition, each man and woman at the Hunter plant will be presented with a frozen turkey to make the holiday complete.

Forty men and women working at the J. C. Penney company store here received their "profit-sharing bonus" the past Wednesday night at a Christmas party in the home of the manager, Arthur K. Switzer, 798 North Evans street.

The Penney system is one of the most ambitious locally, for all full-time employees working during the entire year of 1948 received two weeks pay, while other workers also were paid profit-sharing bonuses on a proportionate basis.

Switzer emphasized, "This was not a Christmas bonus in the usual sense, and is non-recurring. It was authorized in recognition of the unusual business and economic conditions existing today."

The two weeks pay just received in addition to the profit and profit-sharing plan, in which Penney employees may participate after one year with the firm.

Briefly, under this plan, the employees may bank up to six percent of their pay, while the firm contributes 75 cents for each dollar, as well as five percent of the total wages, to the fund.

The fund pays off in full upon retirement, upon permanent disability, or can be withdrawn in full after eight years.

Chief Laughead Couldn't Be Found For Court Summons, Hearing Told

THEY MAKE UNIONS TICK

Labor Has 'Plugger' In Mrs. Fizz, Head Of Clothing Workers

(This is the second article in a series on the personalities of the men and women who are the guiding forces of Pottstown's labor organizations. Others will appear later.)

By ROBERT DUNPHY (Mercury Staff Writer)

Some kids may boast about their grandmother's cooking or their sewing, or maybe even their terrific toe-holds if they happened to be lady wrestlers, but Dorothy L. Fizz's grandchildren can put these all to rout by telling of their grannie, the labor leader.

Mrs. Fizz, as feminine as a powder-puff, has been president of Local 138 of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America (CIO) for four out of the past five years and is currently running for re-election to her third straight term.

Mother of three grown sons, the chief of the 750 shirtworkers in the area has been active in union affairs for the past 12 years. She is employed at the local Public Shirt corporation as a sewing operator.

NO SOCIAL BUTTERFLY, Mrs. Fizz refuses to bow to the old shibboleth that unionism is a man's game. As president of a local that is composed of about 65 percent women, she has seen many advances made in working conditions through union sponsorship. Among these, she cites, six paid holidays a year, two weeks vacation with pay, and sick, death and hospitalization benefits at no cost to the employee.

Organized 15 years ago, the union that Mrs. Fizz heads has always been affiliated with the CIO, and its record here is unmarred by strikes.

The Pottstown local has rather a unique set-up comprising three local shops, the Pottstown Shirt company, Philadelphia Dry Cleaners and the Public Shop, plus one at Reading, the Ever-Ready Shirt company. Each of the shops elect three members to the executive board of the local in addition to voting for their own shop chairmen and the officers of the local.

MRS. FIZZ IS intensely proud of the union's record and, in her own way, is probably as tenacious a laborer as the majority of her male colleagues. A quietly affable and unpretentious person, however, she would insist that "her greatness has been thrust upon her."

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YOUTHS ESCAPE INJURY AS CAR TURNS ON SIDE

Driver and 2 Companions Crawl From Wreckage Of Sedan on Berks Street

Donald S. Gaut, 19, Pottstown RD 2, and two unidentified companions crawled unhurt from their 1936 sedan after it turned on its side on Berks street, near the Metal Masters company plant, at 9:40 o'clock last night.

Gaut told Patrolman Paul Gal-laway that in rounding a curve, while driving north on Berks street, his car left the road, hit a ditch and upset on its right side.

The right doors and fenders were crumpled, the windshield cracked, the frame bent, the crankcase and gas tank broken and the hood bent in the accident.

Frank T. Hunsinger, Pottstown RD 2, was the owner of the wrecked car.

TWO CARS were damaged in a collision in front of the J. Pegely and Son appliance shop, 34 High street, only a quarter of an hour earlier last night, when a car being backed out from a parking space was struck by an eastbound vehicle.

Ronald I. Stiles, Spring City RD 1, was pulling out of the parking space when his car was hit by one driven by Frank Klemm, Gilbertsville RD 1.

The right rear fender and rear bumper of Stiles' car were only slightly damaged in the collision, but the right fender and front bumper of Klemm's nearly-new, large sedan, were almost torn from the body.

Both cars also investigated this collision.

EARL H. MILLER, 18, Douglassville RD 2, was given dispensary treatment in Pottstown hospital last night after his motorcycle went out of control on a curve along Route 422 in Douglassville.

West Reading Sta. Trooper Martin Harleman said Miller's vehicle upset, tossing the youth onto the highway. Miller was taken to the hospital by a friend. He sustained a deep cut of the right knee and brush burns of the left leg.

Christmas Seal Sale Goes Into Last Week

As the next-to-last week of the Christmas Seal sale closed yesterday, a total of \$2714.80 was reported, \$350 ahead of the 1947 total at this time and within \$700 of the \$3411.07 received the past year.

The booth set up in the post office for the first time this year will be closed today, after two weeks operation. It will be moved to the lobby of The Mercury, King and Hanover streets, where the tuberculosis campaign seals will be on sale until Christmas Day.

Twenty women volunteers, representing the Family Welfare society and the Visiting Nurse organization, staffed the booth in the post office.

When final returns of the seal sale are in they will be divided between the Montgomery county Public Health society and the two local organizations chosen to help tuberculosis and their families—the Family Welfare society and the Visiting Nurse organization.

Evidence Introduced On Charge of 'Sham'

POTTSVILLE, Dec. 17—The temporary legal ban on the police unit of which James A. Laughead, Pottstown police chief, is vice president was continued today after evidence was introduced to back the charge that the PPCPA is a "sham."

A stormy, four-hour hearing preceded the continuing of the injunction against the PPCPA until a further and final hearing is held. Date for this hearing was set tentatively for Dec. 23.

These were the highlights: 1. Laughead was not present because deputy sheriffs of Schuylkill and Montgomery counties were unable to find him this week to serve him with a subpoena.

2. John Joseph Gillespie, treasurer of the PPCPA and its only full-time officer, said the founding of the association and selection of its controversial name were not solely his ideas, but were the result of co-operation by several men, including Laughead.

3. Gillespie claimed that, to his knowledge, Henry E. Groff, Boyertown police chief, still was a director of the PPCPA.

(Groff told Mercury newsmen a week ago that he had resigned as both director and member of the PPCPA the past Dec. 11, when he first read a news story that it was involved in an injunction suit.)

(Groff said then that he never signed any membership application, that he was made a director without his knowledge or consent, that he wanted nothing whatever to do with the PPCPA, and that he had written the PPCPA saying so.

(Directors of the older group said after the hearing that they had received a letter from the Boyertown chief early in the week announcing his resignation from the PPCPA and explaining the circumstances of his becoming a "director.")

4. Frank J. Alinsky, Shemondosh (Schuylkill county) police chief, and PPCPA president, said he didn't know in what bank the group kept the money it collected, had never met most of the officers and had made no probe of the PPCPA's purposes before joining.

5. An attorney for the 35-year-old Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police association, which brought the equity suit against the "two-month-old" PPCPA, asked Gillespie whether he had used several aliases. He denied this under oath.

6. Gillespie evaded responsibility for sending out advertisements clipped from the older group's 1948 yearbook with proposed contracts for space in the PPCPA's yearbook, although three such clippings and contracts, sent from his office, were admitted as evidence.

ON THE QUESTION of Laughead's absence, leaders of the older group said after the hearing that he had contacted one of them, by telephone, to say he had been elected vice president of the PPCPA without his knowledge and had taken no active part in its operations.

The directors of the older group were prepared to give him the opportunity of repeating these assertions under oath.

They had a subpoena issued for his appearance as a witness.

The directors of the older group gave the following account of why Laughead was not on hand at the hearing. Their account was confirmed by the office of the Schuylkill county sheriff:

The past Tuesday night, a few hours after the preliminary injunction was issued, a deputy sheriff from Pottsville traveled to Pottstown to serve a subpoena.

Big Show Wows 500 Norco Kids With Vaudeville

North Coventry township was the guest of the Pottstown Quoit club and Santa Claus last night at the North Coventry High school.

More than 500 youngsters and 200 adults, who rated an invitation by their residence in the township, took in an eight-act vaudeville show and picked up edible Christmas cheer.

One feature of the show was a bubble gum blowing contest won by an unidentified lad who pumped up a bubble larger than a girl opponent could expand her balloon.

"Yeah, but you should have seen his face when it popped," chuckled Nicholas Billy, chairman of the Quoit club sponsoring committee.

Balloons were handed to youngsters to puff on while they took in Punch and Judy show, a dog act, singers and clowns.

Entering the auditorium, kids were greeted by a six-foot four-inch clown and ushered in, with almost comical kicks, by a midget clown.

Later, as the youngsters trooped by a table in single file, Santa, impersonated by Peter Endy, handed out a box of candy, an orange and bubble gum to each.

The affair lasted two and a half hours.

Manchuria 'Sold Out' To Russia by U. S., Foremen's Club Told

The ceding of Manchuria to Russia via the Yalta agreement was "one of the darkest betrayals in history," P. Collier Snyder, lecturer, businessman and traveler told 160 Executives and Foremen's club members last night.

"We pray, literally on our knees, to the Chinese to keep up the war with Japan. They managed to hold a million and a half Japs in China while we were fighting. Now we have run out on them," he told his audience in the YMCA.

Not only did the United States sell out its ally in the Yalta treaty, he declared, but our present refusal to lend her funds is equally outrageous.

"There's a little corruption in Philadelphia, too," he thundered, "but you don't see anybody threatening to burn down City hall."

Mrs. Russell Engle, Head of Auxiliary At Empires, Dies

Mrs. Russell E. Engle, of 32 East Second street, president of the Ladies' auxiliary of the Empire Hook and Ladder company, died at her home last night.

She had been ill for the past 13 months.

She was born in Roversford, a daughter of the late Albert and Emma (Brans) Jordan. Her maiden name was Kathryn Mary Jordan.

Most of her life she had resided in Pottstown.

Surviving are her husband, Russell E. Engle, three children, Dorothy, a daughter of Benjamin Pollock, 313 Chestnut street; James A., at home, and Gordon, at home.

Also surviving are two sisters, Alberta, wife of Louis Friedman, 2 East Fifth street, and Florence E. Jordan, of Teoford; a brother, Earl Jordan, of Phoenixville, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street. Officiating will be the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor of Zion's Reformed church. Interment will be made in Highland Memorial park.

VFW Throws Party For 125 Children

One hundred and twenty-five youngsters between one and 12 years of age, along with a four-act vaudeville show, last night at library hall as Post 780 Veterans of Foreign Wars, gave its annual party.

The children, who later received the pastosals from Santa, were all children of post members.

The vaudeville show, which began the two and a half hour party, came from Philadelphia and presented clowns, bicycle family acrobatic acts and a Punch and Judy show.

"The kids really enjoyed it," said William Righnour, chairman of the post's committee on the affair.

The benevolent graybeard, played by Howard Kals, doled out 125 oranges, apples, half pound boxes of chocolate and one dollar bills.

Slightly more attended this year than the past year, Righnour said.

Pittsburgh Catholics Hail Portugal's 'Pilgrim Virgin'

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 17 (AP)—The statue of the "Pilgrim Virgin" of Fatima, Portugal, was honored by thousands of Catholics here today.

The throng gathered before Epiphany church to venerate the hand-carved cedarwood statue which is one of two images of Our Lady of Fatima, said to have appeared to three children in the Portuguese town in 1917.

The vision told them if men ceased to offend "My Divine Son, Russia," will be converted and there will be peace.

Every Catholic group and organization in the Pittsburgh diocese was represented in the procession, including Mayor David L. Lawrence and other city and county leaders.

REFUGEES ON WAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Two American ships carrying 888 immigrants who will enter the United States under the displaced persons act are due to arrive in New York next week.

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Pupils Play Santa to Hospital Patients

Youngsters in the pediatric wards of the Pottstown and Memorial hospitals received early Christmas presents yesterday when the girls of the Pottstown Senior High school's clothing department gave 25 plastic animals they had made to each of the wards. They were the girls' Christmas gift to the hospital patients. Shown with some of the little toys are (seated from left to right) Hazel Stout, Leona Binczik, Janet Dunlap, June Dindino, Patricia Horvat and Juanita Marable. Standing (left to right) are: Betty Eschbach, Mrs. George Robinson, department teacher; Mary Batman, June Turocz and Nadine Fraun.

—Mercury Staff Photo

OBITUARIES

OWEN T. HENRY, 74, husband of Emma (Miller) Henry, of 589 MAIN STREET, PENNSBURG, died at his home Thursday.

A native of Marlborough township, Montgomery county, Mr. Henry had spent most of his life in the Pennsylvania section. In his younger days, he had been a cigar maker in plants around Pennsylvania.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Red Hill, and also of East Greenville Nest, Order of Owls, Trumansville Camp, POS of A, and the Pennsylvania Fire company.

Mr. Henry was a son of the late Monroe and Sarah (Fisher) Henry. Surviving are his wife, two children, Robert, of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Wilfred M. Hill, Norristown; three sisters, Mrs. John Skout, of Gloucesterville; Mrs. Abraham Snell, Quakertown; Mrs. Irvin Harwick, Red Hill, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home in Red Hill. Officiating will be the Rev. H. H. Krauss, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Interment will be made in the church cemetery.

SUZANNE RITA KOREN, four months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Koren, WEST HIGH STREET, died last night at 5:45 o'clock in Reading hospital, where she had been transferred for treatment of a heart ailment.

Surviving are her parents, Alfred and Joanne (Selling) Koren, and her maternal grandparents, Stephen M. and Susan K. (Bogart) Selling.

Private funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family from a funeral home at 258 Beech street. Interment will be made in Holy Trinity cemetery.

DECKER, CLEVELAND, OHIO, a former Pottstown resident, was held at yesterday morning at 9:15 o'clock from a funeral home at 258 Beech street.

Solomon high requiem mass was celebrated at 10 o'clock in St. Peter's Catholic church.

The Rev. Charles Stelmach, assistant pastor, was celebrant. The Rev. John Napp, rector, was deacon, and the Rev. Francis E. Suchanec, rector of St. Gabriel's Catholic church, was sub-deacon.

Bearers were Frank Decker, John Decker, William Hines, Frank Drabinski, John Drabinski, and Michael Drabinski.

KATLE, PARKERFORD, were held at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from a Parkerford funeral home. Interment was made in the Parkerford Baptist cemetery, the Rev. E. H. Marcus, pastor of the Parkerford Baptist Church, officiating.

Bearers were William Katle, Edward Katle, Donald Katle, Stewart Smythe Jr., Kenneth Smythe and Bayard Thompson.

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3 Departments of Emmanuel Sunday School To Give Christmas Program Tomorrow Night

The children of the Beginners, Primary and Junior departments of Emmanuel Lutheran Sunday school will present their annual Christmas program at 6:30 o'clock tomorrow night in the church.

The program will consist of hymns, carols and recitations by members of the classes and sections by the choir. The Sunday school orchestra, under the direction of Richard Smale, will perform.

The following will participate: Peggy Grow, Paul Wentzel, John Peckbauer, Samir, Graham, Blanche Work, James Harberger, Philip Sutter, Pauline Sener, Sandra Werner, Kary Drummler, Sharon Acker, Janette Merkle, Nancy Fawcett, Janice Hackman, Linda March and Mary Ann Hines.

Also, Barton Rader, Janet Rader, Merritt Neiman, Virginia Wirtz, Kennv Arndt, David Bartman, Jimmie Geiger, Jon Stetler, Robert Hartenstine, Richard Kunyan, Helen May Seibold, Patty Brightbill, Linda Baldwin, Eugene Kulp, Betty Hamel, Patsy Wink and Edwina Hartenstine.

Also, Carole Ann Swardly, Doris Frey, Sandra March, Joan Warner, Bruce Davis, Betty Brown, Lucy Bickel, Susan Schaefer, Joyce Reichenbach, Larry Womack, Ella Mae Fox, John Wentzel, Peggy Smith, Malaine Marwiler, Richard Huleas, Linda Carlsman, Dennis Hartenstine and Gene Miller.

Also, Janice Meeker, Carol Ann

Train Flagman Killed In Fall From Coal Car

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Dec. 17 (AP)—James L. Spear, 67, flagman for the Monongahela railroad on the Fairmont-Brownsville, Pa., run, was killed accidentally last night near Lovesville.

Spear slipped or fell from the coal train on which he was working and was caught beneath the wheels.

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Sat., Dec. 18, 1948

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Steam Shovel, Operator Buried in Dump Cave-In

IRWIN, Dec. 17 (AP)—A Sewickley township road worker was killed by a cave-in of tons of coal mine debris today while another man leaped to help.

The victim was George Moreman, 34, of Durban, a steam shovel operator. He was buried when a huge pile of coal mine debris fell on him at Old Hermine No. 2 coal mine collapsed.

Moreman was using the machine to "hog" slag into trucks for improving township roads. James Smith, a truck driver, escaped the cave-in or jumped from his vehicle.

The site dump had been weakened by rain and freezing weather. It completely buried the steam shovel.

Scores of rescue workers from surrounding communities worked three hours before recovering the body. It was found just outside the shovel.

He'll Be Chopping Rocks To Pay for Her Choppers

SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec. 17 (AP)—Ernest Smith's divorced wife won't have her two front teeth—or any of her uppers, for that matter—for Christmas.

Municipal Judge Claude Cooper sentenced Smith to six months in the county jail yesterday after he pleaded guilty to stealing bone plates of his wife's dentures.

"That's a pretty mean trick, Ernie," commented Judge Cooper after Smith admitted selling the gold from the upper plate for 75 cents. He returned the lower.

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The greater part of men have no opinion, still fewer an opinion of their own, well reflected and founded upon reason.—Seume.

Cheers, Then Boos!

THERE'S many a feather for Pottstown High's cap in the evaluation report of the school.

Made by outside, disinterested experts, the report said:

1. The faculty is tops. It was rated "very superior."

2. Students are receiving superior instruction.

3. The schools administration was most efficient.

Those recommendations should make the faculty expand its chest, burst off a few vest buttons.

The evaluation should end some of the disquieting, yet unfounded criticism heard a few years ago (and probably spread by politicians running for office) that graduates of Pottstown High can't hold a candle to other high school grads.

The rating is a honey, one Pottstown should be proud of. Taxpayers may rest assured that the school district is getting the best it can buy.

But there's nothing to be proud of in the report that the Pottstown High school building is one of the worst in its class.

It's uneconomical. It's inefficient. The location is terrible.

That's what the evaluation report said. To which might be added a few local disparaging remarks.

It's a fire hazard! It's hallways, crowded with lockers, present a hazard to life and limb. It's gymnasium is too small for classes and exhibitions.

It's too small. It lacks some of the finer educational advantages of the present day.

In other words, as The Mercury said yesterday, the building "stinks."

All Pottstown has known that for years. Pottstown needs a new high school building. It also needs a new athletic building. And it could use better seating facilities at its football stadium.

Yes, Pottstown also needs new grade schools. One should be constructed immediately in the north end of town.

Some of the other grade schools are overcrowded or outmoded despite their recent construction. They need modernization or enlargement. But that can wait until a new building is erected in the northern part of the borough.

The present board, therefore, has its work cut out.

The present board head, elected on promises to increase educational facilities, must hew to the line if he wishes to keep those promises.

Christmas Tree That Matters

ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT, who has become to the Christmas tree roughly what sleigh bells are to Santa Claus—i.e., the sound effects—in is another mighty verbal tussle with his competitors.

The fellows who are selling balsams say his spruces are skunk spruces, and intimate that they are chiefly fit for dropping needles on the floor. Mr. Roosevelt replies that they hold up better than the balsams and tests prove it. It seems to us that both Mr. Roosevelt and the old dealers are going about this business the wrong way.

Who cares if a Christmas tree sheds a little? Does the look of it suggest the mystery and the quiet and the dark depths of the woods? Does the scent of it convey the tang of the out-of-doors? Does it bear its lights and bangles proudly? Does its decorations hang from it with grace and twinkle from it with delight? Is the tout ensemble likely to find favor in a child's eyes, and light them with a brilliance brighter than its own?

If so, it is a Christmas tree, no matter if it sheds or not, and regardless of whether it is a skunk spruce or a Chanel cedar. And if not, no amount of non-shedding or pretty names is going to make the least bit of difference.

Trade Mark Registered

SEVEN new drugs will help umbrellas to tan without burning, according to a report submitted to the American Academy of Allergy. They are listed as pyrimethamine, neotrantergan, pyrazolone, tagachin, neotrantergan and anustime, but well bet you anything you can just ask for Comfytan and Noburnysan.

Grampaw Oakley

FUNKIN CORNERS, December 17.

Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

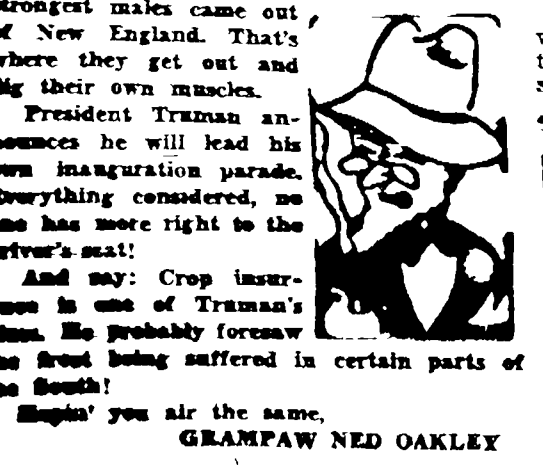
Wal, I see by the papers that after studying 105,000 soldiers, Harvard said America's strongest males came out of New England. That's where they get out and dig their own muscles.

President Truman announces he will lead his own inauguration parade. Everything considered, no one has more right to the driver's seat!

And say: Crop insurance is one of Truman's aims. He probably foresaw the frost being suffered in certain parts of the South!

Hope you air the same.

GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY



READERS SAY:

Wild Toots of Fire Alarm Revive Old Aches

What's Going On?

To the Editor: Good grief, we thought that plumed fire whistle on borough hall was gone forever after last week's test. But this morning, it has blown one too, at intervals, at least ten times—and it's only 9 o'clock now.

I have been working the night shift who find it impossible to go back to sleep after the first toot—and for two years they have been bothered by it.

We live within a block of borough hall, but last week, we heard the Washington hall whistle plainly. What has been decided?

Why don't the dumb jerks turn the thing off when it's only blowing because of wind or ice?

Let's hope the whistle on borough hall is gone forever.

Pottstown TOO MANY TOOTS

Speaks for Bus, Phone Raises

To the Editor: If it were not such a serious matter, the actions of several politicians in the Pottstown town council in protesting the proposed rate increases for bus and telephone service, it would be very amusing.

Unless our public utilities—and this includes also electric, gas and railroads—cannot be permitted to earn a reasonable profit and pay a fair return to those persons who have invested their savings in securities of these companies, their capital will dry up, the investors will lose their savings, there will be no expansion or improvements, and this can result in only one thing, government ownership.

By their actions these politicians, not only in Pottstown, but all over the nation, are playing into the hands of the Communists and Socialists, as this is just what they want.

However, I do not believe that the majority of our people want the nationalization and socialization of our public utilities. This would be only a start and we would soon be doing what Great Britain is doing

(with American money), to socialize practically every form of business and industry.

The handwriting is on the wall. Let us not be misled by these unthinking politicians.

Boyetown

Why No Gutters?

To the Editor: What is happening to the borough of Pottstown? It hasn't opened the gutters on the west side of North Adams street for the past seven years.

Why doesn't it comply with its own ordinance and open the gutters so the water can go down them instead of down the street?

It is always ready to collect taxes, but why isn't it ready to give us some of the services other townspeople have.

We are still in the borough.

Pottstown IRVIN YERGER

(Editor's Note: Council orders curbing and gutters as needed in developed areas. Mr. Yerger's home is between two undeveloped plots of ground.)

Romeo, Where Art Thou?

To the Editor: Alas, alas, and alas again. What has become of the good old days?

Do you remember how (it seems so many years ago) a man used to meet a girl through a smile, a nod, a tipping of the hat, or even a formal introduction? Have those days really gone forever?

It would seem so from a walk along High street at night. Meeting a girl these days seems to be a matter of blitz warfare.

Completely mechanized, the young bucks sit in their cars, spot a girl, and then give her the treatment. This involves use of the horn, whistles, jeers, and even floodlighting her with the headlights.

Their complete technic consists solely

of an invitation for an "affaire de chambre."

It is a sad commentary on life.

Pottstown

She Can Skate, Too

To the Editor: Well, well, my dear Miss Slody ("Reply to Disgusted Bride," Readers Sav, Dec. 19), so I'm hurt because my wedding wasn't an exhibition? If I had wanted it to be one, I believe anyone can rent a skating rink. That less that out.

As for not being able to skate: I can wait, do the specials, and therefore stand up. Can you? No. 2 out.

Boyetown VERY DISGUSTED BRIDE

Driver Negligence Overlooked

To the Editor: The "penalty" inflicted upon the high school boy in the death of Robert Kepler, of Scenewille, is one of the stiffest around here in a long time.

No, it really wasn't a severe punishment. Suspension of a driver's license is a small price to pay for the loss of a person's life.

But time after time we read where drivers are found innocent of negligence in fatal traffic accidents. Only in rare cases—and they are very rare—is the driver found to be negligent.

I attribute this situation to a lack of interest on the parts of the police and the county coroner. No public pressure is brought to bear on them to prosecute the drivers. Relatives of the victims aren't interested, because nothing will bring back their loved ones.

Safety officials should be interested. Safety posters and essay contests shouldn't take up all of their time. Their interest in safety should be more vigilant. For what more can convince a man to drive safely than a threat of prison time hanging over his head?

Sunnyside SAFETY-MINDED

ANOTHER SPY THREAT



How's Your Mind?

THE ANSWER, QUICK

1. To whom state is the popular name "Garden State" given?

2. What human disease does the African tsetse fly carry?

3. How high is the Washington monument in Washington, D. C.?

4. What story-book character stated that "it takes all the running we can do to stay in the same place?"

5. In journalism, what is a "by-line?"

Hollywood

By EDITH GWYNN

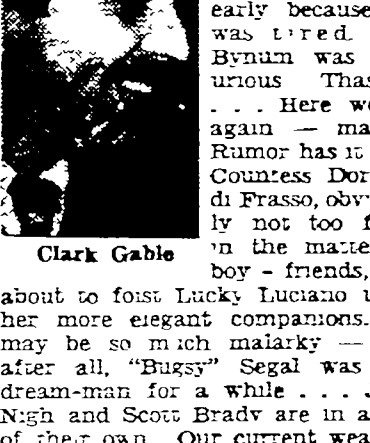
HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 17 — THE GWYNNS REPORT: Those in the know are giggling over the "bill of goods" that Iris Bynum evidently sold some columnists about her supposed fight with Clark Gable.

Clark dined at our snack next night. There had been no fight. He merely left a party they were at rather early because he was tired. And Bynum was feigning Thassall.

Here we go again — maybe! Rumor has it that Countess Dorothy di Frasso, obviously not too fussy in the matter of boy + friends, is about to foist Lucky Luciano upon her more elegant companions. It may be so much malarky — but after all, "Bugsy" Segal was her dream-man for a while ... Jane Nigh and Scott Brady are in a fog of their own. Our current weather has nothing to do with it ... Marge and director Al Hall tossed a big party the other night for Frank Hunter. Hunter is Mrs. H's ex-spouse.



Clark Gable



Ex-model Ex-researcher

JOB UPON A TIME

Ava Gardner wanted to be a school teacher, but she was too good-looking, so after her graduation from college in Wilmet, N. C., she got a job at modeling. Unknown to Ava, her brother-in-law sent her photo to a Hollywood studio, which invited her to come to the screen capital for a test. Ava went and scored in Marie Goetz to Reno. Ava's been married twice—to Arlie Shaw and Mickey Rooney—divorced from each.

George Sanders is six feet three inches in height and built like an athlete. He was born in the British emossy in old St. Petersburg (now Leningrad), Russia. He attended school in England, worked in textile research and experimented with tobacco in Brazil and Argentina before going to Hollywood for Lloyds of London. George likes demure women, would like to be a scientist.

WHEN GLORIA McLEAN

goes to Sun Valley for the New Year's skiing, Jimmy Stewart will be on the same slopes ... Watch the censors sharpen their knives for the new Pablo Picasso play, "Desire," now on the book-stands. It's really not for children under seven years of age ... Have you heard about the young nurse who is so alluring that when she takes her patients pulse she subtracts ten beats for her personality? ... They say "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned" — and evidently neither has a national network. NBC is throwing over one of its long-standing taboos, namely their ban against give-away programs — just to furnish hot opposition to Jack Benny, when he switches to Columbia Broadcasting next month. They'll have the give-away show to end all give-aways. But unless they throw in diamond over-shoes, an emerald wrap and John Lund, we won't be listen'.

MODERN MANNERS

Do not give a gift of soap to a person you do not know very well — who is not an intimate friend. Perfumes, powder, lotions, may be given, especially if you acquaint yourself with the recipient's taste in such things.

IT HAPPENED TODAY

New Jersey ratified the United States Constitution Dec. 18, 1787. The boundary line between New York state and Canada was settled on this date in 1766.

On Dec. 19, 1777, Gen. George Washington and his army went into winter quarters at Valley Forge, Pa.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

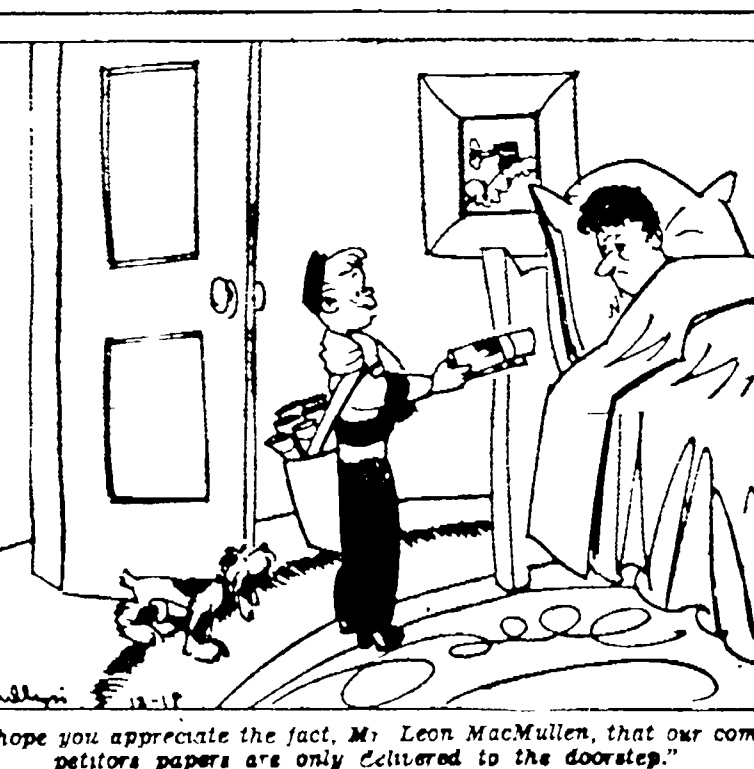
Edwin H. Armstrong, scientist; Paul Klee, Swiss artist; Betty Grable, film star and wife of Henry James, band leader; Johnny Rusk, one-time heavyweight boxer, and Freddie Steele, also a boxer, have birthdays today. Many happy returns!

Today, Dec. 19, greetings go to Dusolina Gianni, opera singer; Fritz Reiner, orchestra conductor; author Oliver LaFarge, Ford C. Frick, baseball league president, and actor Sir Ralph Richardson.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. New Jersey.
2. Sleeping sickness.
3. 555 feet.
4. The Queen, in "Alice Through the Looking Glass."
5. The writer's name signed at the head of an article?

Pottstown Sketches By PHILLIPS



WASHINGTON

Nation's Spending Habits Undergo Radical Shift

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 — The current lag in retail sales of soft goods has been attributed to the customer's resistance to peak prices in almost every consumer field. But this explanation impresses Federal and private economists as only partially satisfactory, in view of official reports that purchasing power remains at a peak among most classes of workers.

Government statisticians seeking more fundamental reasons for the amazing decline think that they have hit upon the answer. Their year-end studies indicate that the nation's spending pattern has shifted radically since the early postwar days. They cannot tell yet whether the change is permanent or not, but they will pursue their inquiry for the light it may throw upon necessary readjustments in manufacturing, pricing and selling practices.

The survey, which tried to discover where the buying dollars go these days, covered selected years in the period from just before the 1929 crash through the first half of 1948. The same trend has persisted to this moment, however.

FOOD: The American people for one thing, are spending far more of the family budget on food than ever before. Even allowing for inflated costs, the proportion of income going into the market basket tops all previous records, due to higher wages and better educated appetites.

Expenditures for food in the first half of 1948 amounted to 17.1 percent of personal income, as against less than 16 percent in 1946 and about 13 percent in 1929.

People are also eating out more than in prewar years, although the rush to restaurants and night clubs has dropped. About 8 percent of father's pay went for dining abroad in 1946, whereas the figure now is only 6.8 percent.

It was only 2.6 percent in 1929, and although prohibition was a deterrent factor then, the increase reflects the change in habits when World War II produced. A large part of the increase is due to the number of women who work, as well as to housewives who could get good meals only at unreasonably high prices in scarcity days, and continue the custom so as to escape the kitchen.

GOODS: Still another reason for a drop in department store and mail order buying is the return of durable consumer goods to the market—automobiles, radios, television sets, furniture, kitchen equipment etc. With customers incurring installment debt for these articles, they must cut down on other purchases.

In the first half of 1946, for instance, only 3.3 percent of disposable income went into automobiles and accessories, an abnormally low figure. The percentage has climbed to almost 9 percent, a ratio exceeded only in 1941, and it will go higher as more cars become available. Outstanding automobile credit is now almost \$1,000,000,000.

Other outlets for cash or credit have been homes, house repairs, farm implements—tools or services unobtainable a short time ago in any volume.

It is believed that the demand for durables will persist for at least several years, meaning a long-time shift of purchasing power from competing products.

New household devices lighten housewives' drudgery to such an extent that they have become essentials. Even the smallest homes will have them.

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

For MR. AND MRS. J. WALTER EYRICH Elverson RD 1 BECAUSE they will observe their 32nd wedding anniversary today.

The Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

Broadway Bulletin Board

PAULETTE GODDARD and Burgess Meredith will ponder the B.G. Decision around the first of the year, if he returns from France on schedule. Close friends are disregarding Paulette's denials of a possible divorce — and can you blame them when she's doing Mexico with John Stenbeck and Burgess is seeing Paris with Pamela Churchill?

The Nelson Rockefeller will lullaby in April ... Hollywood's newest feud stars Lizabeth Scott and Diana Lynn. Dar ole debile, scene-stealing Members of the White House inner circle meet with early resignation from Kenneth Royall. He and the Paulette Goddard President are farther apart than Frol Flynn and the New York constabulary.

Dorothy Mackall, who was a famous

star in the silent flicker era, is in Reno ... The district attorney's office is sitting on another front-page expose with as much human interest as the current divorce mill scandal. It deals with a "baby black market" set up in New York.

A WEALTHY TEXAS oil man (or is that redundant?) drew some publicity he didn't like during the Woolley-Hart gambling party comedy, but didn't learn his lesson. On a recent train trip he dropped \$40,000 to a set of strangers ...

Phyllis Arnold, the singer, flew to Chicago the other day with the avowed intention of marrying Maxie Rosenbloom ... They say Peter Lawford was the reason for the Art Ford-Vikki Dugan breakup ...

You simply aren't of the intelligence if you haven't been invited to the party Truman Capote is tossing. Several hundred of the literary set have been asked ... Metro starlet Janet Leigh will walk down the aisle with Barry Nelson (the young playright in "Light Up The Sky") when her divorce from Stanley Reames is final.

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

CLARA Z., 29, has been married for four years.

"Dr. Crane, I want you to see Clara and try to help her," her sister pleaded. "She has a fine husband and is an intelligent woman who ought to make a good wife. Our parents were respectable people, and brought us up to be good girls."

"But Clara is going to the dogs. She has had numerous affairs in the last year, although her husband has thus far been ignorant of her misconduct."

"I don't think it is because she no longer loves her husband, for she seems very fond of him, and he is devoted to her."

"But she seems morally deranged. She must be psychopathic. She is heading for ruin."

"Dr. Crane, what is wrong with her? I have argued and reasoned with her but she continues her scandalous conduct."

MY INTERVIEW with Clara brought out the fact that she had undergone a surgical operation a year previously, when, rendered in the loss of her Fallopian tubes. So she could never bear a child thereafter.

In previous Case Records, I have reminded you readers that the nymphomaniacs whom I have interviewed, have all suffered from feminine inferiority complexes.

Women who will do almost anything to avoid bearing children, will then grow frantic if they find they really cannot become pregnant.

One of the basic psychological reasons for a woman's terrific upset at the menopause is traceable to this same fear of sterility.

For women want to be normal! They will even resort to Clara's extreme actions to prove their normality.

Clara feels deflated in her feminine vanity because of her sterility. She worries because she is below par as a woman, although she is an attractive girl, with all the social charm that a normal woman possesses.

So, in order to prove to herself that she can still attract men, she engages in clandestine affairs.

"They are a tonic to her wounded sexual vanity. She simply demands numerous affairs as proof that she can still interest a man."

Like the menopausal wife who mistakenly feels that she is no longer physically attractive, Clara is in a frenzy.

She fails to realize that neither Fallopian tubes nor the uterus itself, can significantly influence her sexual charm.

Besides, a couple of adopted children can bring out all the maternal behavior from her which any mother can show for her own youngsters.

I brutally dissected her behavior. I joined her into tears until this false idol of sex was shattered.

Then we rebuilt her perspective. An adopted youngster helped turn her attention unselfishly upon normal feminine behavior.

And her husband restored her wounded sex ego by means of the marital advice in my bulletin "Sex Problems in Marriage." Send a three-cent stamped envelope, plus a dime, for you copy.

In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

December 18, 1898

TROLLEY PLANS — A charter has been granted to the Montgomery and Chester Electric company with a capitalization of \$300,000. The construction of a trolley line connecting Phoenixville and Sprung City is planned, with the line later extended to Rogersford and Limerick Square and possibly from Phoenixville to Valley Forge and from Pottstown to West Chester.

SAILOB DIES—James Johnson Buck, 21, son of Daniel M. Buck, 363 Lincoln avenue, died on the battleship Texas. During the Spanish-American war he was a member of Company A, Sixth regiment.

FATAL ACCIDENT — David Painter, 35 of Warwick, was fatally injured when he was struck by a P. and R. railroad coal train at Siove. He was a puddler at the Ellis and Lessig iron plant.

25 Years Ago

December 18, 1923

PUBLIC BEQUESTS — The will of Frederick H. Keiser provided \$5000 for the Pottstown hospital, \$2000 to Emmanuel Lutheran church, and \$1000 to the YMCA.

KIWANIS ELECTS — Pottstown Kiwanis club elected following officers: Sydney R. Kepner, president; Roy H. Vernon Slawter, vice president; Ammon G. Romach, treasurer, and Eli Wismer, district trustee.

ROAD BOOSTERS—Boosters for the new road between Pottstown and Pottsville held a meeting at Town Hall, Swamp, in protest against a last-minute move of some persons to change the route of the new road northward from Sana-toga. Delegations from Pottsville, Upper Hanover, Lower and Upper Pottsgrove, Red Hill and East Greenville were in attendance.

10 Years Ago

December 18, 1938

LETTER CARRIERS MEET — The Pottstown Letter Carriers Association met at the home of J. Ellwood McCann, 1325 South street. The following officers were elected: Jesse W. Weidner, president; Zenas Savage, vice president; Sorber Diemer, financial secretary; Orion Swinehart, recording secretary; George Masner, treasurer.

MUMPS CASES—Health Officer A. J. Andre reported 35 cases of mumps in the borough, denying a report of 75 cases of the "swell" disease.

OPPOSE "ISMS"—Agitators who are preaching "isms" of a subversive nature in Boyertown were ordered "to keep out" by Yerger Post, American Legion. An address on Americanism was made by Commander Norman Norell, of the Fourth district.

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

Cards Are Knockouts... Better Every Year!...

CHRISTMAS CARDS—You can have a whale of a good time just examining this year's Christmas cards! They're exciting as a stage designer's crayon sketches for a gigantic Christmas play. There's a pageant-like, theatrical air as they recreate the magnificent scenes of our centuries-old Yuletide traditions. The emphasis is on story-telling designs costumed in bold and vivid colors, their drama enhanced by impressionistic lighting effects. One typical and striking card portrays the gaunt, awed faces of two ragged shepherds blanched by the blinding illumination from the heavens on that first Christmas Eve ...

EVEN THE modern scenes bring to life moments of Yuletide drama—Santa pulling on his boots at midnight ... the first gleam of candlelight on sparkling Christmas tree ornaments ... the astonished, ecstatic smile of a child on Christmas morning ... But while this season's Christmas cards gain a delightful freshness from the new art style, their themes remain staunchly traditional. This year's most popular designs are those portraying familiar and well-loved Yuletide symbols—"Candles, holly, and mistletoe; Christmas trees and lots of snow," as one card rhymes it ...

THESE themes are favorites because they still express the average American's conception of the ideal Christmas. There are carollers in modern dress on a number of cards. And all the women have the long-skirted "New Look" at last—it's 15 months from designer's easel to mail box, and many of the 1947 Christmas cards had already been printed when hemlines started plunging. More religious designs are available than in several years. The Madonnas and Nativity scenes are especially gentle and appealing. One unusual card consists of an illuminated map of the ancient Holy Land on crackling parchment. Another particularly lovely greeting pictures the Holy Family on its lonely flight into Egypt, midway in a vast desert against a star-flecked sky ...

EVEN THE floral cards have a dramatic air, with poinsettia flaming against a solid-gold background. Christmas roses framed in ebony, and mistletoe—Druid emblem of purity—with its white berries outlined against a gigantic bow of red ribbon ...

REALISTIC and novel effects are achieved on many cards by employing bits of cloth and other actual materials. Santa has a beard of wispy white feathers, there's a cotton batting tassel on his cap, and tiny plastic bells dangle from the holly wreath on the door. Those playful cherubs, so popular in the past few years, are up to a dozen new tricks. One pair is sipping up candy canes for "short and sweet" Christmas greetings. And there's an angelic Scotch lassie with plaid wings, busily knitting a pair of ski socks on a cloud. All knock your eyes out, if you're in the Christmas mood. And if you figure 1,500,000,000 will be sent this year, you can see where they have to be good!

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

SOME diseases are important, not as threats to life but as handicaps to living. They cause such extreme discomfort and nervous irritation as to keep their victims in a state of dread, even when they are not incapacitated by recurrent symptoms.

One such ailment is Meniere's disease, in which there are periodic attacks of dizziness, accompanied or preceded by ringing in the ears, impairment of hearing, and often sickness at the stomach and vomiting.

It is believed that the attacks occur because of a sudden increase of fluid in what are known as the semi-circular canals in the inner ear. These structures seem to have something to do with the maintenance of body balance. The increased pressure of this fluid in the canals is due to a lessened absorption or taking up of the fluid, or an increase in the amount of fluid secreted. Just why, is not clear.

It has been suggested that the trouble may be due in some cases to allergy or oversensitivity; in others, to a disturbance of the balance between the amount of fluid and salt in the body and, in still others, to a possible upset in the nervous mechanism which controls the size of the blood vessels.

It is important that the patient be reassured concerning the condition and be made to realize that it cannot cause fatalities. It is not unusual for the disorder to clear up without treatment.

The use of quieting drugs, such as the barbiturates, is often helpful. A number of other measures have been employed which also seem to be helpful in treating Meniere's disease. One is the giving of injections, under the skin, of histamine, which seems to aid in those cases due to allergy.

Nicotine acid, part of the Vitamin B-complex, when given by injection, tends to dilate the blood vessels, and has been found helpful in Meniere's disease.

The use of the salt-free diet, limiting the intake of fluids and giving potassium or ammonium salts three times daily, seems to correct the disturbances of the salt and water balance and has aided many patients.

If all of these measures fail and the symptoms are so severe as to disable the patient, operation may be required. This happens in about one out of ten cases. The operation consists in cutting certain parts of the nerve of hearing. It relieves the dizziness, sickness at the stomach, and vomiting, but the head noises may persist.

Military Prosecutor Says Wife Planned Murder of War Hero Husband in Germany

MARBURG, Germany, Dec. 17 (AP)—The prosecution charged today at pretty Wilma Ybarbo de- cidedly shot and killed her war hero husband after a bedroom fight and was not sorry she did it.

Winding up its case against the 23-year-old American mother, Prosecutor Worth B. McCauley contended the testimony showed that three days before the shooting Mrs. Ybarbo gave an indication of intent to kill.

The prosecutor cited testimony that Mrs. Ybarbo told her friends call her "Billie"—told the family maid: "You almost didn't have any boss today." This remark, the chief military government attorney continued, referred to her husband, Sgt. John Ybarbo of Goliad, Tex.

Mrs. Ybarbo is on trial before a U. S. military government court on a murder charge.

With the prosecution resting the case made motions for dismissal of the charge and a plea for acquittal. In the motions fail, defense attorneys said they would plead that Wilma shot in self defense.

The court for four days heard testimony from pretty fraileins and their American soldier drinking companions, guests of the Ybarbos the night of the Sept. 21 shooting. The court adjourned until Monday to consider the acquittal plea.

The remark Mrs. Ybarbo was quoted as making to her maid was a main point in the prosecutor's summation.

"That is our first indication of what was in the mind of the accused," McCauley said. "That lays the groundwork of premeditation."

EARLIER, Weldon H. Chandler of Miami, Fla., an Army investigator, testified that a day after her war hero husband was shot Mrs. Ybarbo declared in a statement that "she was not sorry she did it."

Proof of self-defense would save her accused from the death penalty.

"We have proved by ample evidence both premeditation and malice," McCauley stated. He contended there was evidence of a disagreement between the Ybarbos that fatal evening when three U. S. soldiers and two comely fraileins gathered to drink wine and cognac in the Ybarbo home.

WITNESSES DESCRIBED this "disagreement" as a bedroom fight in which the sergeant's nose was bloodied. During this quarrel, one witness related, Mrs. Ybarbo said her six-year-old son was not the sergeant's child.

A few minutes earlier the ser-



Mrs. Ybarbo

Torrential Rains End Drought in California

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17 (AP)—Roaring tides pounded the seacoast today as welcome rain accompanied by heavy snow in the mountains, eased southern California's record drought.

Winds reaching 90 miles an hour in the Laguna mountains and 50 along the Pacific, sent huge waves cascading over Redondo Beach's seawall. Residents were evacuated from four blocks of homes and at least a half dozen persons were injured.

Highway accidents took at least four lives. One was five-year-old William Gugler, who pushed his eight-year-old brother, John, to safety when a car bore down on them.

Rainfall totals topped an inch in many cities. As much as two feet of snow fell in the mountains. Agriculturists and foresters said the snowpack would help replenish low water reserves. It also ended, at least temporarily, a critical fire hazard.

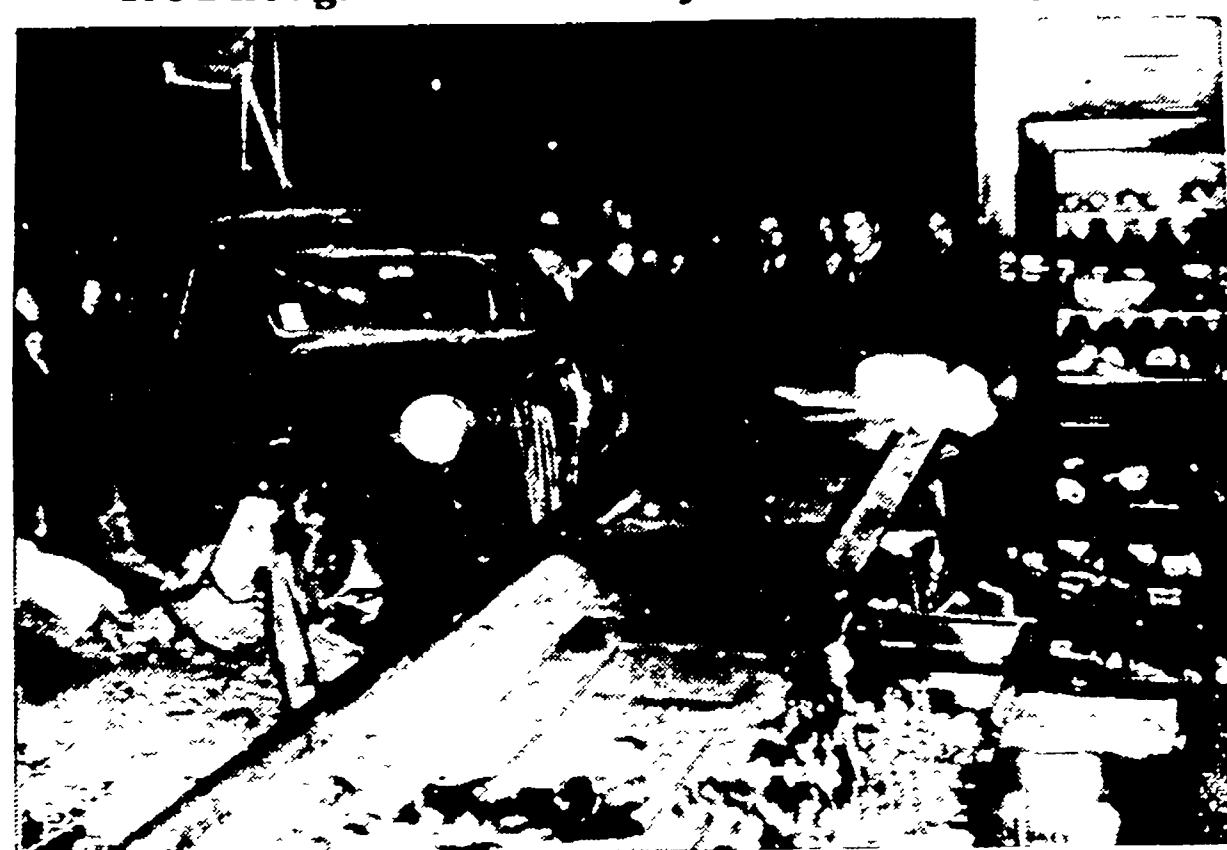
Some mountain highways were closed by snow, including the heavily-traveled Ridge route between here and the San Joaquin valley. The latter was reopened during the day.

A high tide of 65 feet made the situation along the beach more dangerous. In Los Angeles harbor, 15 craft were pulled from their moorings by winds and two yachts were damaged, pounding onto a concrete pier. The waters receded somewhat during the afternoon.

The weather bureau said the storm would probably continue through tonight, with showers and snow flurries tomorrow.

David Rizzio, murdered favorite of Mary Queen of Scots, entered her service as a musician—a bass singer—and later became her valet de chambre and foreign secretary.

It's Enough to Make a Guy Go On the Wagon



Pink elephants must have seemed like the mildest of hallucinations to the customers of this Philadelphia taproom as an automobile plunged through a wall and ploughed its way right up to the bar as if it were at home. And the bells and bright lights of the pinball machine probably sank into insignificance for unlucky customer playing it at the time. He was among six injured.

Girl's Hip Is Broken In Fall at Her Home

Six-year-old Shirley Keen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Keen, 1313 South street, suffered a fracture of the left thigh yesterday morning when she slipped and fell on the living room rug.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Keen could discover how the accident occurred.

They rushed their youngster to the Memorial hospital where Dr. Herbert P. Seo encased the injured limb in a cast.

Shirley was back resting at home yesterday afternoon.

Bridgeport Youth Given 10 to 20 Years in Slaying

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 16—Declaring he had been shown all leniency possible by the acceptance of his plea of guilty to second degree murder, Judes Knight, Corson and Danneberger this afternoon sentenced Mario Giannone, 19, of Bridgeport, to serve from 10 to 20 years in the Eastern State penitentiary for the slaying of Anna May Catane, 19, of Bridgeport, the past June 9.

Giannone also was directed to pay a fine of \$1000 to the Commonwealth and the costs of prosecution.

Giannone was accused of holding the face of Miss Giannone down in the water of a shallow creek in Upper Merion township until she stopped struggling.

Three Perish, Two Hurt As Fire Levels House

DAMASCUS, Va., Dec. 17 (AP)—Three people were killed and two injured in an apartment house fire here today.

The dead: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clark and their daughter, Ann, 8. Carl Thompson and Charles Wagner were injured. Thompson was burned on the face and arms and Wagner broke his ankle when he leaped from the window of his apartment.

Two other persons who lived in the two-story building escaped injury.

The fire spread so quickly that the top floor of the building was gutted before firemen arrived. The cause of the blaze was not known.

Pheasant Visits Home; Total: 2 Windows Broken

MOSCOW, Idaho, Dec. 17 (AP)—When Mrs. W. M. Timmiswood heard a crash in her front room today, she found a hen pheasant on the floor and a large window smashed.

Thinking the invader was dead, Mrs. Timmiswood hurried downstairs to tell her landlady. As they returned to the apartment, smash went the other front window.

The pheasant had recovered from the first blow, and departed the hard way.

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New Russian-U. S. Disagreement Blocks Delivery of Christmas Parcels to Germany

BERLIN, Dec. 17 (AP)—A new Soviet-American disagreement tonight blocked delivery of more than 50,000 Christmas gift parcels to Germans in the Soviet zone and Berlin.

American officials won't send any more rail cars to Soviet Germany because, they say, the Russians don't return the cars.

Correspondence disclosed that Maj. Gen. Semenukhin, chief of Soviet communications, wrote to the American communications chief, Eugene H. Merrill, protesting the stoppage and Merrill shot back that the Russians apparently used the gift parcel system to retain 1700 rail cars rightfully belonging to the U. S. and British zones.

Merrill complained to the Soviet's month ago and two weeks later the Russians offered to correct the situation. When nothing was done, the American chief embargoed shipments.

MERRILL DESCRIBED gift parcels as more or less one way—from West to East. He said American citizens had sent to Germans parcels worth more than \$250,000,000.

"With extreme reluctance," he wrote to the Russian general "we came to the conclusion that the Soviet zone was using this humane traffic to increase its holdings of railway equipment. Hence this left no other alternative than that of suspending the service."

The Soviet general denied that Western rail cars are being detained. He insisted that the U. S. and British zones "owe" the Russian zone 957 cars.

Merrill said this claim was ridiculous.

HE WROTE the Russian general: "Fifty thousand gift parcels for the German people in the Soviet zone are on hand in the Western zone. These parcels can be delivered in time for Christmas if the necessary transportation is provided."

He concluded the exchange of letters with an offer to deliver the parcels to the Soviet zone.

Paroled Slayer Sought In Country Store Murder

HONESDALE, Dec. 17 (AP)—A 50-year-old paroled murderer, accused of killing a man in a country store at Gravity, Pa., was the subject today of a widespread search through the mountainous area of Wayne county.

The hunted man is Claude Swingle or Lake Ariel, Pa. Sheriff Ed Reifler said.

Last night's shooting which took the life of Layton Brooks, 32, also injured two of three witnesses.

State police said Swingle, identified as the killer by store owner William Cobb, his wife, Irene, and two customers, would be charged with murder when arrested.

Sheriff Reifler said Mrs. Cobb was shot in the left thigh by a stray bullet as she tried to separate Brooks and Swingle. One of the customers, Douglas House, was slumped in the abdomen with a knife when he drew too close to the killers, Reifler added.

PROFESSOR DIES

EASTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Dr. William S. Hall, 87, author of a number of textbooks on mathematics and professor emeritus at Lafayette college, died today in Easton hospital.

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The Campbell Manufacturing company, front and Washington streets, Boyertown, recently distributed a bonus to its approximately 80 employees. The distribution represented 10% of the total wages of the individual earnings of each employee.

The firm, which manufactures steel, iron and brass pipe supplies, is officered by Raymond Groff, president; Ben Smith, vice president and treasurer; Frederick T. Paff, vice president and secretary.

Artist Entertains Colebrookdale PTA With Yule Stories

Colebrookdale Parent-Teacher association held its regular meeting Thursday, Mrs. Clara Wenzel opened the meeting with a Biblical reading concerning the first Christmas.

The PTA presented a basket of fruit and comic books for Richard Weller, Colebrookdale school infantile paralysis victim.

Permission was given by the school board for the erection of a volleyball court, for which the PTA will supply the equipment. The erection will be temporary, however, because of the possibility that the grounds may be graded in the spring.

Suggestions by which the PTA might earn money was received and discussed.

Following the business meeting, J. Allen Pauling, artist from Kittittown State Teachers college, was introduced by Mrs. Anne Brady. Mr. Pauling entitled his entertainment "Fun With Chalk," and as each caricature became an entirely different character with a simple change in position or an extra line added, the program became just that.

He ended his program on a more serious note by telling several old legends concerning the evergreen tree and why it is used as a Christmas tree. At the same time, he illustrated his story with a landscape drawing of a Christmas tree.

Following the business meeting refreshments were served by the hospital committee, Mrs. Esther Stauffer, chairman.

The next PTA meeting will be held Jan. 11, 1949, at 7:30 p. m. Mrs. Anna Yerk, president, presided at the meeting.

Thrown From Cycle After Striking Auto, Boy Fractures Leg

John Breidenbach, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Royden Breidenbach, College street and West Philadelphia avenue, was thrown from his motorcycle at the intersection of Reading and Philadelphia avenues last night at 6 o'clock after colliding with a 1936 sedan driven by Donald V. Smith, 109 1/2 High street, Pottstown.

Smith was driving west on East Philadelphia avenue and made a left hand turn on South Reading avenue while Breidenbach was driving east on West Philadelphia avenue and struck the right front fender and headlight of the Smith car.

Breidenbach was given first aid at the office of Dr. Charles B. Dotter for a fractured left leg and cuts about the face and from there he was taken to the Reading hospital in the community ambulance, driven by Jack Kline and Norman Gotwals.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths
HANLEY—In Gilbertville, on Friday, Dec. 17, Norman, husband of Cora (Stengel) Hanley, aged 68. Relatives and friends are invited to services from Schwenk's Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Tuesday at 2 p. m. Interment Union cemetery, Boyertown. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

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The Boyertown Community Chest campaign, with a quota of \$6000, is still in progress due to the fact that some of the solicitors have not yet completed their canvass and are awaiting reports from those within their territory before making final returns.

The officers of the drive are asking that these reports be submitted, so that the allocations to the various welfare agencies and groups can be made for the ensuing year.

At a meeting of the campaign committee, Wayne Frey, the treasurer, reported having received \$3,684 to date, but that tentative reports from solicitors indicated approximately another \$1000 remained to be turned in.

The campaign closing date had been set for Dec. 15, but has been extended a few days pending final reports.

Pfc. Hatfield, Boyertown Now Cpl. Hatfield, APO

Pfc. Robert B. Hatfield, Boyertown, on active duty in Germany with the U. S. Army, has been promoted to the grade of corporal.

Corporal Hatfield is presently assigned to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 56th Quartermaster Base Depot, at the Glessen Quartermaster depot.

MEETINGS

Boy's Choir at 9 a. m. in the Lutheran church.

Christmas party by the Nursery, Beginners and Primary departments of the Lutheran Sunday school at 3 p. m.

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, the Rev. David F. Longacre, pastor. Sunday, 9 a. m., Bible school—the departmental Christmas programs. The service, 10:15 a. m. The catechetical class, 1 p. m. Organ recital, 3:45 p. m. The Christmas carol service by the choir, 4 p. m.

Church of the Good Shepherd Evangelical and Reformed, the Rev. Harper L. Schaefer, pastor. Church school, 9 a. m. White-Girl service, Intermediate through the Adult departments, Christmas music with the choir, 10:15 a. m.; evening worship, 7:30 p. m.

Trinity Evangelical Congregational church, South Washington street, the Rev. W. L. Bowers, pastor. Christmas program by the Primary and Junior departments at 9:30 a. m. Candlelight service at 7:30 p. m.

Menomonee Meeting house, North Reading avenue, Alfred A. DeWeller, pastor. Sunday school, 9 a. m.; service, 10 a. m.

St. Columba's Catholic church, the Rev. B. H. Creemers, rector. Saturday, 9 a. m., children's mass. Sunday, 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. Mass on weekdays at 9. Vespers at 7. First Friday mass at 9.

Gospel hall, 415 East Fourth street. Sunday school, 9 a. m.; reading, 9:15 a. m.; gospel preaching, 7 p. m. Bible study, Tuesday, 8 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 8 p. m.

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DEATHS - FUNERALS

NORMAN HANLEY, 68, died suddenly yesterday at his home in GILBERTVILLE, where he resided for the past three and one-half years.

A native of Upper Pottsgrove township, Hanley was born the son of the late Daniel and Mary Albright Hanley. He was last employed at the Pottstown plant of the Bethlehem Steel company.

Hanley was a member of the Pottstown Owls 1393, the Spring City Council 900 of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Bethlehem Steel Relief association, and Emmanuel Lutheran church, Pottstown.

In addition to his widow, Cora (Stengel) Hanley, there survive a daughter, Florence E. wife of Fred Steinmetz, Amityville; two grandchildren, and four brothers and sisters, Morris, Boyertown; Samuel, West Third street, Pottstown; Ethel, wife of Paul Sprinkle, Raleigh, N. C.; and Claude, King street, Pottstown.

Services will be conducted from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, on Tuesday at 2 p. m. with the Rev. William L. Staud, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran church, Gilbertville, officiating. Interment will be made in Union cemetery, Boyertown.

SEAMAN DROWNS
POINT MARION, Dec. 17 (AP) — William W. Krazer, 24, of Burgettstown, a deck hand on the tugboat Tennessee, drowned early today in the Moonongahela river.

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Woman's Association Gives White Gifts For Children's Home

As Mrs. C. S. Stouffer read the Christmas story from the Bible, the members of the young women's choir of the First Presbyterian church softly sang, "Silent Night," at an impressive White Gift service Thursday night in the church.

Upon a platform, sitting so still she could have been mistaken for a statue, was little Penny Fleming, who represented the Virginia Mary at the manger. The only light was furnished by candles and a huge brilliantly lighted Christmas tree.

Little Miss Fleming sang "Away in a Manger," and each member walked to the Christmas tree and placed beneath its branches a gift of clothing or toys. The gifts will be given to the Presbyterian Children's Village, near Philadelphia.

MEMBERS OF THE CHORUS were Mrs. Ralph Weiss, Mrs. Walter DePrestone, Mrs. Charles Miller, Mrs. Grace Hildebrandt, Miss Sue Trembler and Mrs. Janet Plask.

They sang several other carols and were accompanied by Mrs. George Robbins, pianist. The program was planned by Mrs. Reynolds Lunceman and was conducted by Mrs. Stouffer, program chairman.

At the business meeting, Mrs. Hugh McDevitt, the president, presented the secretary's report, was read by Mrs. Ann McClellan. A report of the work done by the committee chairman and circle leaders was made by the following:

Mrs. Stouffer program; Mrs. Daniel Linton, activities; Mrs. Charles Lepperd, missionary sewing; Mrs. Allen Moore, membership; Mrs. Frederick Jenkins, nursery, and Mrs. Robbins, missionary education.

MRS. BURTIS HALLOCK JR. reported that the recent bazaar was a success. In the absence of the treasurer, Mrs. Irvin Swede, Mrs. McDevitt gave the report. She also appointed Mrs. Lepperd and Mrs. Moore as the auditing committee for the year.

It was also announced by the president that Christmas decorations for the sanctuary in the church were being done by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox and Mr. and Mrs. George Rowland.

Mrs. Robbins concluded the meeting by installing the following officers:

Mrs. Hugh McDevitt, president; Mrs. Stouffer, first vice president; Mrs. Hallock second vice president; Mrs. Rowland, secretary; Mrs. E. L. Buehler, assistant secretary, and Mrs. Swede, treasurer.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Weiss, Mrs. Plask, Mrs. Helen Nace, Mrs. Martha Decker, Mrs. DePrestone, Mrs. Hildebrandt and Miss Trembler, all members of Circle 6.

HOSPITALS

MEMORIAL Admitted: Bertha Prock, Roversford, medical; Mrs. Sara J. Goodwin South Potstown, surgical; Dolores Piroshak, 354 Apple street, surgical; Mrs. Helen Lascala, Stowe, maternity.

Discharged: Mrs. Virginia Buzzard, High and York streets, maternity; Mrs. Dorothy Giltner, Hillside, maternity; Mrs. Myrtle Blair, Potstown RD 4, maternity; Mrs. Nora Fritz, 914 North Washington street, surgical; Mrs. Anna Salter, 138 East Fourth street, surgical; Mrs. Jeanette Bauer, 360 Surge street, surgical; Mrs. Judy Overdorf, 990 South Hills boulevard, surgical; Sara Jane Bauer, 814 North Franklin street, medical; Mrs. Ida Hoffman, 508 King street, medical; Earl B. Graves, 915 South street, medical.

POTSTOWN Admitted: Mrs. Ruth Micketz, Potstown RD 3, maternity; Russell Hunsinger, 1006 Queen street, medical; Richard Hallman, Boyertown, surgical.

Discharged: Mrs. Ruth Cleaver, Guertersville, maternity; Mrs. Dorothy Knowles, Potstown RD 2, maternity; Melissa Tavales Roversford, medical; Mary Jane Harp, 64 Reynolds avenue, surgical; Esther Kuser, Boyertown RD 2, surgical; Garnett French, Graterford surgical; Clara Hoffman, 1452 Beech street, medical; Albert Gulam, 96 South Elm street, medical; Albert Deolapine, 139 Rowland street, medical; Leon Yerger, 643 North Charlotte street, surgical; Charles Heist, Fredericks, surgical.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Florence Negle of 323 Walnut street, is spending the Christmas holidays with her son, Mr. William B. Negle and family of Gen. Sam. Mary, Fla.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

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Today Joanne Geisler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Geisler, 103 East Howard street, Stowe, aged nine years.

Dean Marie Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Evans, 10 South Hanover street, aged three years.

Albert Kotach, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kovach, 350 Apple street.

Samuel Christman, New Berlinville.

Kathryn Haas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Haas, 711 North Charlotte street.

Ann Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Hunt, 1015 Bellevue avenue.

June Schaefer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Schaefer, Sanatoga.

Donald M. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Miller, 832 South street.

Francis Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Elliott, Upson Downs Farm, Perkiomenville.

Ronald McClain, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McClain, 359 High street.

Kathryn Kaas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kaas, 707 North Hanover street.

Mary Elizabeth Batman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lunwood Batman, 133 South Keim street.

Eugene Bertole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bertole, 22 West Fifth street.

Mrs. Edward L. Stahl, Kenilworth.

HOROSCOPE FOR SUNDAY THE predictions are that at this time work on a hobby and a social time with loved ones is desirable. Much of the success of the next year probably will depend upon a cooperative attitude—the results being gratifying.

Tomorrow Marie Ann Marquette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Marquette, 211 West street.

Byrle Shirey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byrle Shirey, 934 Walnut street.

Mrs. Mary Hritzko, Windy Hill, Feglesville.

Nicholas Koren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Koren, Potstown RD 4.

James Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Graham, 237 South Washington street.

Mary Elizabeth Kurtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kurtz, Sanatoga.

Sandra Skean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Skean, 143 Beech street.

Neil R. Hewitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hewitt, 809 North Evans street.

Yesterday Mrs. Celeste Valente, 161 South Franklin street, aged 76 years.

Henry Riegner to Wed

Pauline Grace Weller

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Weller, Sassafrasville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Pauline Grace, to Mr. Henry Riegner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Riegner, Bailly.

Miss Weller is employed at the Beckerman Shoe corporation, Boyertown, while the prospective bridegroom is working for a year and a half with the Navy's Trucking agency, Guilbertsville. He attended Boyertown High school.

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CLUB NEWS Woman's Page

Christmas Parties Are Lots of Fun



It's fun to go to Christmas parties, say the three children of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Widger, 553 Water street. They are finishing with the dessert given them at the annual wet-back clinic party in the YWCA. Left to right are: Joseph, Jimmy and Patty.

Does to Entertain Husbands, Friends At Christmas Party

On Sunday night members of the Doe club will entertain their husbands and friends at the annual Christmas banquet and party in the Doe club.

The function is scheduled to start at 6:30 o'clock with the dance and show to follow. Dinner music will be furnished by Mr. Frank Kurtz, pianist, while Ken Nichols and his orchestra will provide the music for dancing.

Mrs. Nellie Koury, president, will preside. All arrangements are under the ways and means committee. Mrs. Betty Miller, chairman. The program will be supervised by Mrs. George Jacobs.

Decorations will be in keeping with the season, with Mrs. Mildred Rhoads in charge. Aides are: Leola Lessig, Mrs. Esther Kendrick, Mrs. Nora St. Onge, Mrs. Marie Montague, Mrs. Esther Impink, Mrs. Esther Dursh, Mrs. Edith Gerber and Mrs. Lillian Pickard.

Assisting Mrs. Miller are: Mrs. Montague, co-chairman; Mrs. Frances Whitaker, Mrs. Frances Biehl, Mrs. Mary Berthold, Mrs. Viola Formando, Mrs. Rose Weidenbaugh, Mrs. Helen Mest, Mrs. Virginia DeSoto, Mrs. Anne Smith, Mrs. Helen Vagasky, Mrs. Lucy Bacchi and Mrs. Frances Leh.

Pughtown Baptist Choir Feted in Symons Home

A Christmas party for the choir members of the Pughtown Baptist church was held recently in the home of Mrs. William Symons.

Pughtown, the director of the choir. The guests presented the hostess with a gift, after which movies were shown and refreshments served.

Guests attending included: Mrs. Albert Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown, Mrs. William Banner, Mrs. Elsie and Jean, Mrs. Paul Hallman, Mrs. Lawrence Hartler, the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Jared, Mrs. Vernon Jones, Miss Dorothy Kuntzman, Mrs. Harry Kuntzman Jr., Mr. Harry Kuntzman Sr., Mrs. Harry Symons, Janie Symons, Mrs. Frank West and Mrs. Wilson Webster.

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Joseph Frederick to Wed Naomi Ruth Hunsinger

The double ring ceremony will be used this afternoon at 2 o'clock when Mrs. Naomi Ruth Hunsinger becomes the bride of Mr. Joseph Frederick in Trappe Grace Lutheran church.

Miss Hunsinger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram L. Hunsinger, 543 Spruce street, and Mr. Frederick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frances Frederick, 229 Bridge street, Spring City.

Mrs. Jane Frederick will act as matron of honor and Mr. Harry Frederick Jr., a brother of the bridegroom, is best man.

Sunshine Bible Class Meets in Fries Home

Mrs. Earl S. Fries, Knauertown, entertained members of the Sunshine Bible class of East Nantmeal Baptist church at their annual holiday party meeting last night.

Mrs. Clayton Bates was in charge of the devotional while Mrs. Miriam Fillman, president, presided. An accounting of the dime cards registered \$26.60.

During the program Mrs. Elwood Polts presented a reading and group singing was enjoyed under the direction of Mrs. Earl Slider. Late gifts were exchanged.

The next meeting will be Jan. 20 at the home of Mrs. Fillman. Glen Moore with Mrs. Irma Houck and Mrs. Madeline Simmers as hostesses.

Girl Scout Troop 20 Makes Decorations

Christmas decorations were made at the recent meeting of Girl Scout Troop 20 in the Sanatoga Grange hall.

Following the singing of Christmas carols the meeting closed with the "friendship circle." There will be no meeting on Wednesday.

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New Ladies Auxiliary To Hold First Party

The newly formed Ladies auxiliary of the Upper Potsgrove Fire company will hold "first" annual Christmas party in the school building Monday night at 8 o'clock.

Each member was asked to bring a 50-cent gift for exchanging and an item to put in a basket for a "needs" family, which is being packed by the group.

Mrs. Charlotte Proulx is chairman in charge of arrangements.

Pine Forge PTA To Meet Tuesday

Members of the Pine Forge Parent Teachers' association will convene on Tuesday evening at 7:15 o'clock for a short business session.

At 7:45 o'clock, the Christmas program by the students of Pine Forge school will be given. Included in the program will be the operetta "Tale of Toys" by the first four grades and the play "Why the Chimes Rang" by the upper grades.

Social Calendar

Brookside Country club — Christmas party for children to Junior High school age this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the club building.

WASHDAY DRUGGERY NOW AT AN END

Washday drudgery ended yesterday, when the Self-Service Launderette opened at 382 High street.

Yesterday marked the day that Potstown housewives will be freed from the problem of the week's laundry, for the Launderette will do the job quickly, conveniently and economically.

In half an hour the Bendix automatic laundry will wash your clothing, sparkling clean, triple rinse it and leave it damp dry, ready for ironing.

Each of the Launderette's new machines can handle up to nine pounds of laundry, and the cost is only 25 cents. You can wash your blankets, bedspreads, slip covers, curtains, drapes and other valued articles too, safely and thoroughly.

Trained attendants will show you how, and they will also help with your regular weekly wash.

At your disposal will be the famous Bendix washers, a dependable hot water system with rust-free water, water softener, bluing and bleach.

The new Launderette at 382 High street, which had its premiere yesterday, also will present an introductory offer today.

You will be invited to come in and do your laundry absolutely free, to prove for yourself how quick, convenient and thorough the Launderette can be. Don't forget—free introductory laundry service today.

The Launderette will be open for business from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. on Friday, and 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. on Saturday. Whenever you wish to bring your laundry in, the automatic machines and the trained attendants will be on hand to serve you.

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Memorial Auxiliary To Decorate Rooms Of Hospital Today

At 10 o'clock this morning several members of the Junior auxiliary of Memorial Hospital will gather in the lobby to decorate the various rooms and windows for Christmas.

In the main lobby two trees will be placed. One will be placed in the nursery hall and one in the children's ward. All windows will be decorated with greens.

Those who will participate in the task are Miss Christine Biting, Mrs. C. R. Whyte, Mrs. George Harberger, Mrs. Albert Pollock, Mrs. E. V. Hunter, Mrs. Richard Stann, Mrs. Robert Borneman, Mrs. Edgar Ryder, Mrs. Caesar Sarni, Mrs. Paul Atkins, Mrs. Thomas Storm, Mrs. William Boden Jr., Mrs. Paul Sidley, Mrs. Forrest Purnell, Mrs. Robert Musser, Mrs. George Lessig, Mrs. Clayton Hunt and Mrs. S. Russell Ash.

South Coventry PTA Enjoys Program By School Students

An old-fashioned Christmas entertainment, complete with poems, recitations, plays and vocal solos was enjoyed by members of the South Coventry Parent Teacher association in place of the usual December meeting. The affair was held Thursday night in the school building.

Included on the program was "A Christmas Telegram," Carol Spelling; vocal solo, "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," Alice Reed; "Jingle Bells," first grade students; "Jolly Jolly Santa," First, Second and Third grade students; "Jerky Toys," First grade students.

"Moon Rocket," rhythm band of Grades 1, 2 and 3; "Train of Happiness," Fourth, Fifth and Sixth grade students; "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," Barbara Herp and Mary Dorn; "Here Comes Santa Claus," Mary Ann Moore, accompanied by Mrs. Florence Manthorne.

"Sneezing Song," Arthur Hughes; "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Seventh and Eighth grade students; scriptures, Grace Moser, "Christmas, Roses," Sweater Girls, guitar solo, "Here Comes Santa Claus," Howard Rinehart, "Shovel Snow," Howard Rinehart, and group singing by everyone.

Highlights of the program was a Christmas play in four scenes, "Bird's Christmas Carol." Included in the cast were Barbara Weidman, Ann Smith, Louella Preas, Ray Schienick, John Brower, Charles Gloss, Theresa Brower, Peggy Anne Kulp, Eva Smith, Annetta Pitzer, Irvin Smith, Ethan Rinehart, Arthur Hughes, Bill Nixley and Bryce Manthorne Jr.

Later, Santa Claus appeared with gifts for the children. Refreshments also were served.

Ladies Auxiliary Plan Future Christmas Dinner

Plans were completed for the annual Christmas dinner of the ladies' auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at their meeting Thursday night in the post home.

The party will be an event of Dec. 30 in the Clover Leaf restaurant. Each member was asked to bring a 50-cent gift for exchanging. Reservations must be made through Mrs. Sara Vanisa, phone 2327, or Mrs. Bertha Mort, Phone 2082 M.

Mrs. Catherine Rightmire, past president, installed Mrs. Mabel Bower as trustee and Mrs. Catherine Slider and Mrs. Anna Wolf as color bearers.

The next meeting will be Jan. 20 in the post home.

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Today Mr. and Mrs. Harry Groff, Pleasant View road, Sanatoga, 43 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Geary, Blum road, 22 years.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Micketz, Potstown RD 3, announced the birth of a son late Thursday night in Potstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lascala, Stowe, became the parents of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

Vaughan Department Staff Enjoys Christmas Banquet

Employees of the looping department of the Vaughan Knitting company enjoyed their annual Christmas banquet Thursday night in the Dutch Grill.

After the dinner, gifts were exchanged and accordion music was enjoyed. Mr. Andrew Vaughan Jr., president of the company, acted as Santa Claus and distributed gifts.

Those present were: Messrs. Russell Sides, Davis Morris, Harry Robinson, Jacob Meyer and Henry Schaefer, Miss Mary Orandow, Mrs. Emma Richards, Mrs. Mary Wren, Mrs. Pauline Antrim, Mrs. Anna Dampman, Mrs. Verry Fazik, Mrs. Theresa Koach, Mrs. Mame Eschbach, Mrs. Rita Dobbs, and Mrs. Elsie Bartolowew.

Also, Mrs. Helen McAfee, Mrs. Marjorie Meyer, Miss Betty Kopcho, Miss Irene Kopcho, Miss Arlene Grill, Mrs. Nellie Szajna, Miss Mary Ann Stokko, Miss Mary Ann Cappel, Miss Ann Cisek, Miss Geraldine Orandow, Miss Margaret Moller, Miss Mildred Shaner, Miss Angeline McKano, Miss Dolly McElroy, Mrs. Betty Hesser, Mrs. Florence Hoffman, Mrs. Helen Stokko, Miss Agnes Hoover, Miss F. W. Norman, Miss Marian Sell and Miss Joan Mest.

Methodist Sunday School To Present Yule Drama

"The Twentieth Century Christmas Spirit," a Christmas drama, will be presented tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock by members of the Sunday school of the First Methodist church.

The drama was written by the Rev. Levi H. Zerr, a district superintendent of the Methodist church, who was formerly the pastor at the Mt. Carmel Methodist church.

Mrs. Cathin J. Cressman, assisted by Miss Evelyn Rahm, will direct the play. Stage properties will be arranged by Mr. Harry M. Shellenberger.

Participating in the production are the following: Mr. William H. Feroe, Mr. Merrill M. Umstead, Miss Bertha Hale, Mr. C. Russell Cannell, Miss Sylvia Puse, Miss Elsie Pike, Miss Mildred Loud, Miss Hilda West, Miss Marlene Cannell, Miss Barbara Noli, Miss Catherine Smith, Miss Helen Myers and Mr. Clarence Pike.

The chancel choir, directed by Mr. Robert H. Kichline, will sing, "O Come, Emmanuel" at the service, which will be conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Horace N. Olewiler.

THE LITTLEST ANGEL Read At PTA Christmas Party

One of the favorite of all Christmas stories, "The Littlest Angel," was read at the PTA Christmas party held by the Parent-Teacher association of Lower Potsgrove.

The affair was held in the Lower Potsgrove school cafeteria. Mrs. Earl Rader displayed her collection of candles and gave a detailed description of the progress made in their development through the years.

Mrs. Grace Borneman led in group singing while Mrs. Catherine Albricht played the piano. Mr. George Keener sang a solo, "Holy Night."

A quartet, consisting of Miss Peggy Geary, Mr. Norman Arndt and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Borneman, also entertained the association with Christmas carols.

Refreshments of cookies and coffee were served by candlelight at the close of the meeting. Mrs. Virginia Shultz, vice president, presided.

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SCHOOLS CLOSE —

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band presented "A Christmas Fantasy," "Parade of Tinker Toys," and "Joy to the World."

Four numbers — "Bible Reading, St. Luke II," "Carol of the Russian Children," "Carol of the Shepherds," and "Dona Nobis Pacem" — were sung by the girls' glee club. The choir, wearing their new robes, sang "Carol of the Bells" and "Christmas Is Coming," while the Melody Makers sang "The Sleigh" and "Jingle Bells."

The student body sang "Silent Night," "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "The First Noel."

Mrs. Margaretta R. Lamb and Lester C. Smith were in charge of the musical arrangements.

Although most of the youngsters reporting to work today will be employed as clerks and salesgirls, they are not limited to those fields. One boy, William R. Becker, 40 East Third street, will be self-employed, while another, Thomas Storm, 323 King street, will sell Christmas trees.

STORES BEING HELPED BY

vacation employees are:

Newberry's: John Hoffman, 870 North Charlotte street; Bobbie Schaefer, 123 High street; Joyce McElroy, 348½ Lincoln avenue; Nancy Lindeau, 366 Beech street; Alice Brownback, 235 High street; Bernice Post, 60 South Charlotte street; Mary Bateman, Leona Bimczak, Jean Endy, 346 Lincoln avenue; Dorothy Hyde, 364 Chestnut street; Sara E. Herpst, 464 North Evans street; Kathryn Mitro, 202 South Franklin street; Janice Egolf, Union street; Jackie Carr, 119 North Washington street; Barbara McLain, Janet Francis, 617 Spruce street; and Joanne Huxter.

Woolworth's: Nancy Grotter, 47 West Fifth street; Peggy Strickland, 427 Chestnut street; Jean Harner, 501 Walnut street; Rodney Samecav, 138 High street; Janet Dunlap, Marlene Gray, Edith Sepp, Mary Jane Vandervelde, Pottstown RD 4; Patricia Horvat, 123 North Washington street; Peggy Schaeffer, 467 North Charlotte street; Betty Gauer, 344 Jefferson avenue; Joan Knehl, 444 Walnut street; and Nadine Fraum.

New York Store: Martha Jean Hettrick, Linfield; Eleanor Frick, 113 King street; Sally Cross, 1321 Queen street; Arlene Mensch, Pottstown RD 4; Doris Conits, Pottstown RD 4; Barbara Rose, 239 Beech street; Robert Bechtel, 306 North Charlotte street; Rhoda Kessler, 19 South Keim street; Joan Mayer, 434 Spruce street; Esmeralda, 142 Walnut street; and R. Kessler, 19 South Keim street.

Ellis Mills: Florence Kuepfer, 449 Cherry street; George Marquette, 1133 South street; George Kepner, 478 North Charlotte street; and Rae Kennedy, 693 North Hanover street.

McCro's: Anna Mae Levan, 385 Jefferson avenue; Mae Haas, 341 Johnson street; Charles Richards, 76 South Keim street; and Joan Herpst, 29 West Seventh street.

Bentz Drug Store: Charles Zern, 221 Jefferson avenue; Maurice Oliver, 974 North Hills boulevard; and Barbara Keim, 123 Chestnut street.

People's Drug Store: Anita Miller, 465 North Evans street; and Edithann Dellecker, 332 Walnut street.

Sun Ray Drug Store: Ethel Yerger and Chris Bartholomew.

Grant's: Rosemarie Boughter, 445 Chestnut street; and Barbara Kirshin, Boyertown RD 2.

Penney's: Le Anna Nester, Pottstown RD 3; and Richard Repko, 24 Queen street.

Lamb's Music House: Richard E. Ludwig, 39 Chestnut street; and Ronald B. Dellecker, 332 Walnut street.

Burtens: Jackie Wert, 965 South Hills boulevard.

S. Miller and Son: Rodney Custer, 16 South street.

Shridan's: Donald Mace, 617 Chestnut street.

Hippodrome: Karl Koppel, 871 North Charlotte street.

Betty Lee Shoe store: Arthur Quackenbos, Pottstown.

Peoples Market: Roland Ellis, 1027 Queen street.

Hoffman's Ladies Apparel: Nancy Missimer.

Levenood's Cap: Richard Spary, 858 North Evans street.

Canning's Drug Store: Joan Hall, 656 Walnut street.

Crystal restaurant: Georgia Xanthopoulos, 1410 Cherry lane.

A Hill school boy, David C. Seidel, Beech and Pine streets, will be employed at Penney's.

Utilities Crews Clean Up On Ice Storm Repairs

All was quiet on the public utilities front yesterday, as repair crews rested from their labors after Wednesday's ice storm.

Telephone and electric company officials reported all service restored, while William H. Price, borough electrician, said the only additional trouble he found was with the police call box system.

In Junior High School Pageant



Some of the cast of Junior High school Christmas play, "Why the Chimes Rang," are shown in a scene of the colorful pageant, presented Thursday night at the school. Left to right, standing, are Hildegard Zirkel, Donald Brown, Robert Seltsman, Patricia Prince, Dorothy Motyko, and Kathryn Waltz. Seated, from left, are William Yohn, Richard Mensch, Irene Core, and Edward Shoemaker.

MRS. FIZZ —

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son, she maintains she has been dodging the offer of the Democratic committee woman post in the Eighth ward for the past several years.

POTTSTOWN BORN and reared, Mrs. Fizz is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Seeders, of 533 Walnut street. Of her three sons, only one, Leroy, 22, remains at home with her and her husband, Harold, an employee of a local garage. The youngest son, Ray, 18, has recently enlisted in the Navy, and the oldest son, Harry, 25, is married and has two children. He lives at Penn Village.

Mrs. Fizz claims that union activities keep her away from her home at 534 North Hanover street on an average of two nights a week.

In addition to her job as president of the clothing local, she is also secretary of the Pottstown Political Action committee of the CIO, a job she has held since the founding of that organization.

She is currently serving her third term as recording secretary of the Montgomery-Chester County Industrial Union council at Norristown, a group composed of all the CIO unions in the two counties.

AS A MEMBER of the financial committee of the Pennsylvania Joint board, Mrs. Fizz has a voice in the organization that comprises all the shirt-worker locals in the State. The manager, David J. Monas, handles the bargaining for all the locals if the difficulty cannot be ironed out by the local business agents, who in the case of Pottstown, are Paul Waycock and Irvin Peffer.

As enthusiastic as Mrs. Fizz is about union matters, so, too, is she greatly interested in the social and civic well-being of Pottstown. It is to the perfect meshing of the union into the community life, of which she believes it to be an integral part, that Mrs. Fizz aims to devote much of her future.

Seven Persons Killed As Army Plane Explodes

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 17 (AP)—Seven persons were killed today when a B-25 bomber from Biggs Air Force base, El Paso, Tex., exploded near Robeline, about 75 miles southeast of Shreveport.

The Barksdale field public relations office said the plane carried five airmen and two Navy enlisted personnel. Witnesses said the explosion which occurred at or near the ground blew the bodies and plane almost to bits.

Barksdale field officials said the names of the dead would be made public after next of kin are notified.

New York City has about 2,000,000 Jews, more than there are in Palestine.

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BOW TIES —

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young," Valles said firmly. "Age limit 35."

"I think it's just the opposite," protested Ray Raphael, head of Cravat Creators, tie designers. "Bow ties should be worn by young men, of course, but they are more becoming on older men. Why the trend to older persons is running better than 10 to one."

Grover Whalen, New York's official "greeter" and one of Manhattan's better-known fashion landmarks, agreed heartily.

"I wear them, I like them—and I'm over 35," Whalen laughed. "Of course, I'll be accused of being a prejudiced wit."

Fifth avenue's fashionable clothiers also rose staunchly to the defense of bow ties regardless of the age of the neck it drapes.

SAID A. SULK & company, shirtmakers to fashion-conscious—and well-heeled—New Yorkers:

"There can't be any set rule on the bow tie for there are old men who are just 25, and young ones who are just 80. The bow tie is like a derby hat. Some people look good in them; others look like er-r-r the dickens."

"It doesn't matter how old the man is," contended Hudson Bond of the Budd shirtmakers. "It's whether he likes a bow tie or not."

BROOKS BROTHERS, dignified Madison avenue clothiers, said it considered the bow tie highly proper regardless of the age of its wearer.

Senior Valles is way off base, a spokesman for the Fashion Foundation of America insisted. The Foundation's attitude, she said, is this: get away from m stuffiness and iron-clad fashion rules.

Incidentally, she added, "what man would admit to being over 35—ornamentally, if not physically?"

Numerous specialists on sartorial elegance wouldn't deign to argue the question.

General Eisenhower wears bow ties, they said. So, too, do other prominent Americans, including one named Harry S. Truman.

GETS PRESS CLUB POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—John C. O'Brien, chief of the Washington bureau of the Philadelphia Inquirer, was elected without opposition today president of the National Press club.

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YULE BONUSES —

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Men and women receive \$100, at Christmas time, after completing ten years of service, and an additional \$100, at the end of 15 years of employment at the garment manufacturing center.

Thirty employees of the B. E. Block brothers' furniture store in Pottstown, with a minimum of 90 days of service, will receive their share of \$25,000 distributed by the organization to its 210 employees in stores here, in Norristown and in Jenkintown.

Like many another bonus and present, Block's is given the day before Christmas.

ALL 352 EMPLOYEES and executives at the Vaughan Knitting company will share in a bonus this year. The system began in 1942, with defense stamps being given then.

This year, the money, which will be apportioned according to seniority, will be distributed at the Dec. 24 Christmas party.

A small staff of workers at the Pep Boys' automobile accessories dealers, will receive their Yuletide gifts from the company on decorated company checks, in addition to their monthly incentive bonuses.

The National Iron bank is typical of some of Pottstown's financial institutions with 15 men and women sharing in a Christmas present.

And at the Peoples Service drug store, 10 full-time personnel, with one or more years of service, will have extra shopping money this year.

Other local firms that will distribute bonuses and presents this holiday season include the Varcraft paint works, where 20 will share on a seniority basis; the J. J. Newberry company; the Robinson Clay Products company, where 100 employees will share in a \$2500 presentation; and the New England Auto Products company.

LEGION POST —

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arranging for the forensic and music contest in the Spring, and Joseph A. Kelley second vice commander, to the Father and Son committee for that day late in February.

Tickets for the post's party at 2 30 p. m. Monday will be given to members through today at the grill room, he told members. Children 12 years of age and under are eligible to attend.

The post voted \$50 to the Junior High school for purchase of new purple and gold uniforms for the band.

The meeting was closed in memory of Guy Swavelle, Legionnaire, who will be buried today, and four servicemen who were killed overseas and either have been rebuffed or will be over the weekend; Robert Kessler, Anthony Malak, Charles R. Fritz and Harvey Shaner Jr.

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New York Wedding

Of Chinese Lecturer Reveals Ties Here

Paul H. Grim, superintendent principal of North Coventry schools, his father and Harold Senealer, of Boyertown are good friends of a Chinese diplomat, author and lecturer who made nationwide news yesterday.

This was learned last night from the schoolmaster's father, Henry K. Grim, Boyertown.

Dr. Tehyi Hsieh (pronounced "Tee-yeh Shear") and the former Mrs. Irene Larimer Harriss, Baltimore clubwoman, revealed yesterday that they were married the past Dec. 7 in New York city.

The news was carried on the national wires of the Associated Press in a feature story.

THE YOUNGER GRIM was the first of the local men to know Dr. Hsieh, who holds degrees from universities in China and Cambridge, England, and is the only Chinese member of the American Branch, International Law association.

At the time, some 20 years ago, the Norco principal was a superintendent on the Chataqua circuit conducted in South-eastern Pennsylvania, his father asserted.

The younger Grim had worked his way up in Chataqua from tent boy to advance advertising agent to a circuit manager.

Dr. Hsieh became a circuit lecturer, and his first appearance as such was made before the Boyertown Rotary club, the elder Grim declared.

This appearance was followed quickly by lectures before the Pottstown Rotary club and the Foremen's club.

BY THEN, the young circuit manager had become a close friend of the distinguished Chinese visitor.

The elder Grim revealed that his son had been the man who had taught Dr. Hsieh how to drive an automobile.

Through his son, the elder Grim also became a good friend of Dr. Hsieh and frequently entertained him at his Boyertown home.

Senealer joined the circle of friends, and in recent years has visited Dr. Hsieh at his home in Brighton, Mass., Henry K. Grim declared.

Dr. Hsieh's last appearance in the Pottstown area was as commencement speaker for the graduating class of North Coventry High school in 1946.

But the Chinese diplomat's friendship with the three local men has continued, and they still receive letters from him.

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ROAST TURKEY
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POLICE HEARING —

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THE TREASURER conceded that Alinsky, PPOCA president, had played no part in choosing the controversial name.

Alinsky's testimony on his lack of knowledge of the organization was lengthy and inclusive. Several times he repeated the phrase "I never met the gentleman," when asked if he knew a fellow officer of the PPOCA.

When asked about the contracts for yearbook-advertising secured by the PPOCA from merchants and lounges, Alinsky produced a huge sack of such contracts, several hundred altogether.

Attorneys for the older group will attempt to wade through this mass of contracts, to find out what boroughs or cities were solicited by PPOCA agents, and how much was collected.

ON THE QUESTION of Groff's membership, Gillespie insisted that he had heard no word of the Boy-

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FOREMEN'S CLUB —

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U. S. will have to spend 25 billion dollars fortifying Japan or let the entire Orient go to the Reds.

But with European nations bled from the "hemorrhage of wars," he asserted, the U. S. must carry the burden of leadership against the Red onrush.

"NINETY-FOUR PERCENT of the people on the earth don't live in the United States," he said, "and 90 percent of the rest of them are being taught to hate us."

Despite "speculations" he saw evidenced in recent spy hearings, the "Russians will be defeated because no foe of God can be a friend of man."

A turkey dinner and Christmas carol singing, led by Francis W. Hennessey, preceded the talk.

Choral Group to Take Part In Band Concert Tomorrow

The Meistersingers, an amateur choral group, and the Pottstown Senior High school chorus will star in the annual Christmas concert of the Pottstown band in the Senior High school auditorium tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Norman Lepperd will conduct the Meistersingers, while Mrs. William F. Lamb Jr. will lead the student chorus in Christmas numbers.

In addition, the band, led by William F. Lamb Jr., will play a program including such Yuletide favorites as "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," "Night Before Christmas" and will join the chorus in "White Christmas."

One hundred twenty-five instrumentalists and vocalists will participate in tomorrow afternoon's concert in the Senior High school auditorium.

THE HEARING, which evolved into a legal battle over the "Non-Profit Corporation Law of 1933," wound up in a Frank Merriwell finish.

Henry Houck, Pottsville, a little, elderly attorney who is a member of the Pennsylvania Utilities commission, carried the brunt of the defense.

By an interpretation of the complex 1933 law before Judge James Curran, Houck came forward with a last-minute bid to have the injunction dissolved because the older group had not registered with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Because of this lapse, Houck maintained eloquently, the 35-year-old association could not fairly claim it was entitled to the protection of a clause banning a new corporation from taking a name "deceptively

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Playlets, Yule Songs Mark School Party At Lower Pottsgrove

Playlets, carols, and musical numbers, in which each pupil participated, highlighted the Christmas party at the Lower Pottsgrove school yesterday afternoon.

A playlet entitled "A Legend of the Christ Child," presented on the Fourth grade, was one of the high spots of the program.

The party, which was planned and conducted by Miss Helen Barman, a teacher at the school, had "Chimes of Christmas" as its theme. It was featured by Carol singing, recitations, choral speaking numbers, numbers by the school orchestra, and several solos and duets.

Rosemary Boreman, a first grade student, sang "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" while Shirley Neuman presented a marimba solo and Dennis Solinger and Vernon Chestman played an accordion duo.

Parents, friends and pupils filled the basement auditorium of the school for the party. Christmas packages of candy were distributed to each pupil by members of the Lower Pottsgrove PTA.

Prior to the all-school Christmas party, the children had small class parties in their classrooms. Each pupil exchanged a gift with another pupil at lunch time.

Radcliffe College, a college for women in Cambridge, Mass., is associated but not corporately connected with Harvard University.

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Bear 'Stows Away' on Ship



No one knows yet how this cinnamon bear got aboard the Swarthmore Victory, freighter that brought a load of animals from Asia for American zoos. More than three weeks after the ship docked in San Francisco, he was found wedged behind machinery in the hold. He was not on the list of immigrant animals and authorities have been unable to explain how he got aboard or why he was not discovered sooner by crew members.

Alumni Group of Pennsburg High School To Award \$1000 Scholarship Each Year

Pennsburg High School's alumni association has approved a plan which would hold out a helping hand to selected pupils for four years after they graduate.

Louis Purnik, athletic director, who authored the idea, said a board of five each year would decide on a pupil to be the recipient of a \$1000 scholarship to be spread over four years.

During that time the pupil must be furthering his or her education—not necessarily at college, but also at business, trade, nursing or other schools.

PIRNICK'S PLAN was approved tentatively Tuesday by a meeting of the alumni association and will presumably go into effect this year. It must also pass two more monthly meetings of the association but, since no opposition was voiced at the first session, there is little doubt of its passage.

William Groe, Collegeville attorney who is head of the association's scholarship committee, presented the plan to the association.

He emphasized that the five-man board need not necessarily pick a recipient each year if they find no one to fit the five requirements, which are: Educational achievement, participation in extra-curricular activities; character; emotional stability and the need for financial assistance.

Candidates for the scholarship must apply in writing.

THE SELECTING BOARD will consist of the supervisor, principal of the school at that time, the president of the alumni association and three persons appointed by the association president.

These would be rotated every three years, one per year. The association tentatively decided to let a majority rather than unanimity rule selections.

The money for the scholarship will come from the association fund, which, in turn is amassed from dues and activities the association sponsors. A separate fund will be set up for the scholarship.

Purnik, an alumnus of the class of 1933, believed that the scholarship is unique in this area.

Commission of OAS Arrives in Costa Rica

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec. 17 (AP)—A commission representing the Organization of American States (OAS) arrived here today to investigate Costa Rican charges the country is being invaded by troops from Nicaragua.

Among those who met the commission at the airport were Jose Figueres, head of the Costa Rican military government and provisional president, and U. S. Ambassador Nathaniel P. Davis.

Thousands of cheering Costa Ricans were waving along the streets leading from the airport to the city to wave greetings and throw flowers.

Dishwasher Gets Life In Slaying for a Nickel

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 17 (AP)—Edward Egl, 28-year-old itinerant dishwasher of Milford, N. J., was sentenced to life imprisonment today after pleading guilty to a general charge of murder in the nickel slaying of a 73-year-old man.

Egl testified he participated in the brutal beating last July of Charles V. Kettler, 73, an insurance collector at a Northside rooming house.

Homebody detectives said Egl and a companion, Dale Lesner, 25, of Pittsburgh, expected to find several hundred dollars in Kettler's pockets but only obtained a nickel.

French Premier Wins Opening Budget Battle

PARIS, Dec. 17 (AP)—Premier Henri Queuille won the first round today in his battle of the budget.

The finance committee of the national assembly accepted his financial plan for 1949 by a vote of 22 to 16 with only a few changes.

Thirteen of the opposing votes were Communists.

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Mr. and Mrs. Abram Blank and son, Harry, spent an evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wurzer, Sellersville.

RACE PREJUDICE RAPED
EASTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—A charge was made in Northampton county court today that Negroes are systematically excluded from jury service in Northampton county.

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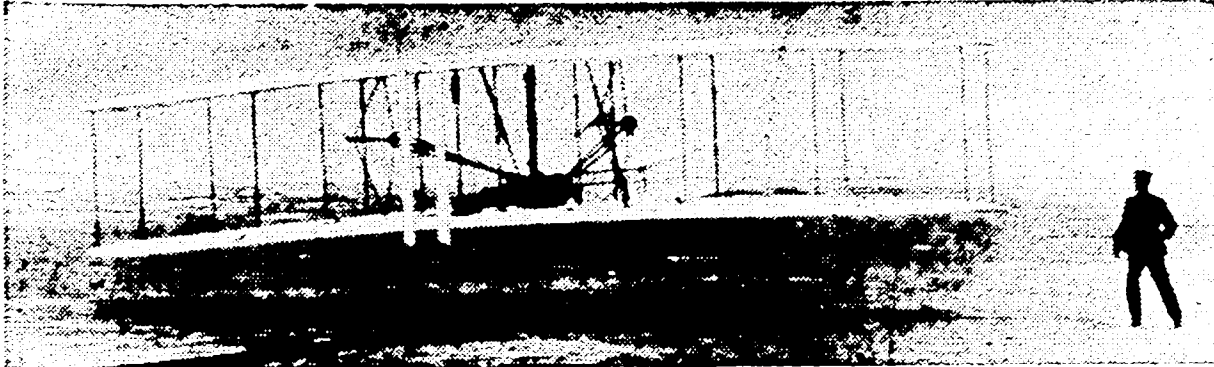
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'Kitty Hawk' Takes Rightful Place as First Flying Machine



The Wright Brothers' "Kitty Hawk" is shown (right) as it hung in the Smithsonian Institution after the U. S. formally welcomed the plane home after 20 years in England. Photo at left is the only picture ever taken of the first flight over the sandy dunes of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.

'Kitty Hawk' Is Welcomed As Top U. S. Air Relic

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Wright brothers' airplane was welcomed to its place as the nation's foremost aviation relic today in a ceremony sobered by reflection of the mighty changes it has wrought for all men.

CROP REPORTS STAMP '48 AS BEST IN HISTORY

Output Sets New Mark, Helps U. S. 'Store Up' Vitally Needed Products

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Final harvest reports today stamped the 1948 crop year as perhaps the most remarkable in the nation's history.

The Agricultural department's final report of the year showed that the season broke many production records. Also it gave the country bountiful supplies of many of the products it needed most.

The aggregate volume of all crops was the largest ever harvested. It exceeded the past year's record by about 8.7 percent. Also it topped the 1923-32 base average production by 37 percent.

Perhaps even more important, it gave the nation a record supply of grains. Big supplies were needed not only to help feed the hungry abroad, but to refill empty feed grain bins in this country to reopen the way for expanding production of meats, dairy products and poultry.

EVEN AS THE department reported this record harvest, prospects pointed to even higher output next year. While it is too early to estimate next year's prospective outlook, weather conditions to date and economic conditions encouraged farmers to keep on producing bountifully.

A strong factor influencing big crops again next year is continuation of wartime Government price supports for major commodities.

Besides corn, production records were set for flaxseed, soybeans, peanuts, rice, pecans and cranberries. The wheat crop was exceeded only by the past year's. Other crops in the near-record class include oats, sorghum grain, potatoes, dry beans, crop corn and citrus fruits.

Larger than average crops of hay, cotton, barley, tobacco, sugarcane, hops, grapes, cherries and apricots were harvested.

AUTHOR DIES
BOSTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Dorothea Brande, former magazine editor and author of several books including the 1936 best-seller "Wake Up and Live," died today in Massachusetts general hospital.

Retail Prices of Food Dip For 3d Straight Month

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Retail cost of the family "market basket" declined in October for the third month in a row.

It declined from a yearly average of \$701 in September to \$689 in October, the Agriculture department reported. This was the largest drop since February, 1948 and compared with the record high of \$708 in July.

The "market basket," as used by the Agriculture department, measures what a family of three average consumers must pay at retail for the average annual purchases of farm products by such a family in the base period 1935-39.

President Truman greeted the "Kitty Hawk" to "a final mooring in our national museum" in a message read by his Air Force aide, Col. Robert B. Landry.

The British ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, spoke on his nation's pride in having had custody of the plane for 20 years.

THE FORMAL ACCEPTANCE started a day of notable aviation activities, including the award of the Collier trophy jointly to three men who had major parts in the achievement of supersonic flight.

The honor, commonly rated the highest in aviation, was given to John Stack, a research scientist for the national advisory committee for aeronautics at its Langley, Va., laboratory; Lawrence D. Bell, president of the Bell Aircraft company, Buffalo, N. Y., builders of the X-1 rocket ship which first flew faster than sound; and Capt. Charles E. Yeager, air force test pilot, who made the first supersonic flight.

President Truman presented the awards in his office.

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Emergency Board Urges 40-Hour Week For Rail Workers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—A White House emergency board today recommended cutting the present 48-hour work week for a million rail workers to a 40-hour week effective next September.

The board called for an immediate seven-cent hourly wage boost, dating back to Oct. 1, 1948, with another 20 percent pay rate increase next September to give workers the same money for the shorter work week.

The recommendations apply to the railroads' non-operating employees, those who do not run the trains but service and maintain them. The board calculated 1949 costs of both the pay raise and the shorter work week at \$340,000,000 but forecast the cost will dwindle with passage of years.

The non-operating rail workers now earn, on the average, about \$60 for their 48-hour week. The seven-cent increase would give them about \$63 for the same work week. Then, if the 40-hour week is adopted next September, they would get approximately the same \$63 for the shorter week.

In anticipation of higher labor costs the carriers had asked the Interstate Commerce commission in advance to boost rail rates 13 percent, or about \$1,000,000,000 a year.

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Israel Fails, Temporarily, In Bid for Seat in U. N.

PARIS, Dec. 17 (AP)—Israel lost out in the United Nations in her efforts to gain U. N. membership—at least until Spring.

Five of the 11 nations in the security council voted to admit Israel. These were the United States, Soviet Russia, the Soviet Ukraine, Argentina and Colombia.

Syria voted against admission. Five nations refused to vote—Britain, France, China, Canada and Belgium.

This lineup defeated Israel's bid, since seven "yes" votes are needed to approve a question.

The vote came after Egypt charged that Jewish troops had launched a new attack in the Negev. Israel denied this.

The council's action did not end Israel's chances of joining the world organization. Aubrey Eban, Israeli representative to the U. N., told reporters: "We will submit our application again when we feel like it."

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Chinese Withdraw Defenses To Within 30 Miles of Capital

NANKING, Dec. 17 (AP)—Defense headquarters on the ragged front before Nanking pulled back today to a point only 30 miles northwest of this Communist-threatened Chinese capital.

The 76-mile withdrawal from Pengpu to Chuhsien indicated a worsening of the government position, although there were few fresh developments on the battlefields. In the north there was desultory fighting around Communist-surrounded Peiping, but a waiting calm continued inside the ancient city walls.

On the political scene, rumors of peace negotiations subsided somewhat in the absence of confirmation of any of them.

Removal of Gen. Liu Tze's headquarters from Pengpu was reported by Seymour Topping, AP staff correspondent in Peking. Topping said advance echelons of the headquarters pulled out Thursday night. They informed railway officials that only part of headquarters was moving.

Removal of telephone wires and heavy truck traffic, however, indicated a large-scale move. Panicky residents of Pengpu piled on top of the southbound trains to go along with the military.

At the same time, Topping reported elements of the fresh 20th army were arriving in Pengpu, indicating that the fighting front was not being abandoned.

Communications and transport were disrupted over an area of about 1200 square miles of rich farming and cattle country in the southeastern part of Minas Gerais state and the northern part of Rio de Janeiro state.

Dispatches listed the known dead at 310. Residents of Leopoldina, 110 miles northeast of the city of Rio de Janeiro, were unable to identify some of the 140 bodies recovered there. Presumably many persons were swept from their homes and fields by the flood and carried down stream. At Padua 170 bodies were recovered.

After the first of the year there will be a different lineup in the council. Egypt, Norway and Cuba will take the seats held for the past two years by Syria, Belgium and Colombia. Egypt would be expected to carry on opposition to the Jewish state as Syria has done up to now. Norway voted in the assembly the past year for the partitioning of Palestine but Cuba joined the Arab-Moslem countries against partition.

The council side-tracked for the day Egypt's complaint that Jewish forces attacked trapped Egyptian troops at Faluja in the Negev desert yesterday. The complaint was read, however, by Paris El Khouri, Syrian delegate.

REPORTS FROM MINAS Gerais state said the Pirapetinga river now was receding. But waters from that stream were spilling into the Parahyba river, increasing the danger to towns in Northern Rio de Janeiro state.

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Armless Girl Rides Train to Get New Arms

ATLANTA, Dec. 17 (AP)—A wispy, dimpled little girl with a ribbon in her hair came to Atlanta today to see about getting a pair of hands.

Pretty Grace Purcell was born four years ago without arms like other little girls have. But her shy charm and beauty were enough to make up for a lot of things.

That's the way she got a ride to the city on the streamliner train that never before stopped at her small home town of Lovejoy, Ga.

When a tiny tot of two, the blue-eyed, curly-haired child began to wave with her stubby arms at engineer Henry G. Lee, a kindly 66-year-old man with no children of his own.

ENGINEER LEE began dropping noises with candy, chewing gum and sometimes toys for his little friend. Then, after he found out about her plight, he collected \$203.35 to fit her with artificial arms and fingers.

He brought her on the streamliner today with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Purcell, to see about a fitting. There'll be another trip next Monday and then maybe Grace can start learning to use her new hands.

"We have enough money now," said Lee, "for three pairs of arms to fit her as she grows older. And we hope to collect enough to give her a college education."

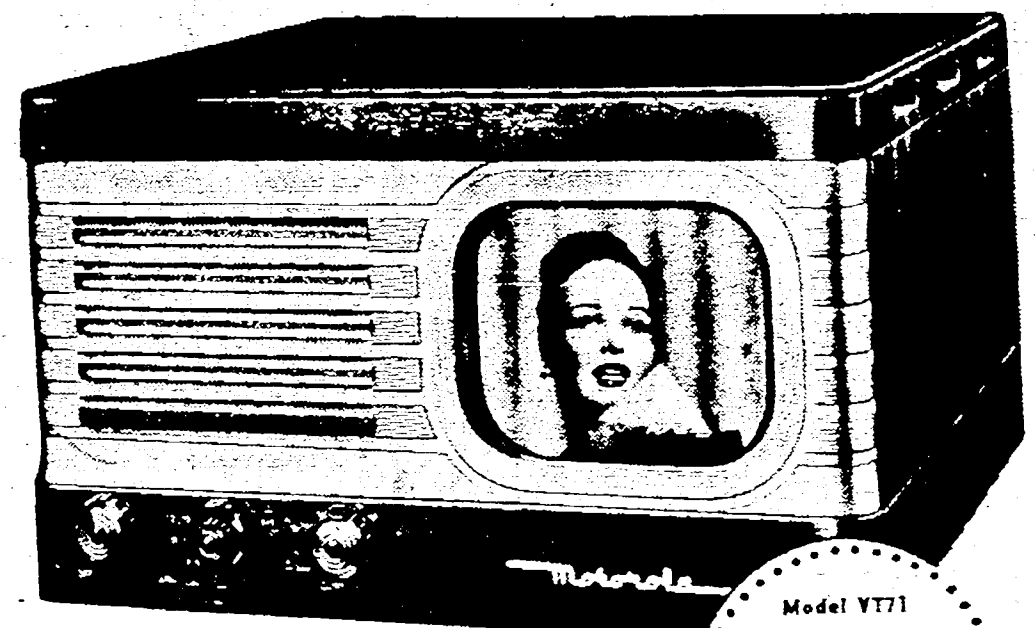
Sutton, 26, pretty Chelsea artist, who herself describes the marriage as "a controversial matter."

The 10-year romance blossomed despite longstanding controversy between the two churches.

Son of Archbishop to Wed Roman Catholic Girl

LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The eldest son of the head of the Church of England will marry a Roman Catholic tomorrow. A Catholic priest will officiate.

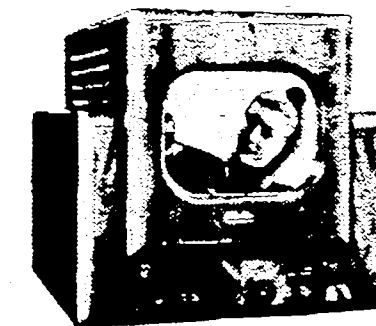
The bridegroom is Henry Pears Fisher, 30, brilliant lawyer son of Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, the Archbishop of Canterbury. The bride is Felicity

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6	Morning News Musical Clock	Bureau Digest Bureau Digest	Farmer Jones Farmer Jones	Dawn Patrol Dawn Patrol
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ON THE AIR SUNDAY

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6	Catholic Hour Catholic Hour	Family Hour Family Hour	Draw Pearson Draw Pearson	Boy Rogers Boy Rogers
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Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

A WALL STREETER'S wife ordered some toys for her baby boy from a Montgomery Ward catalogue. They arrived broken, and the Wall Streeter, who fancied himself a wit, sent the mail-order house this letter: "I dot the toys oo sent but they was broke. Pleath thend uders wite away cause I want to pway with them. Maybe Thears Woebuck will help oo out."

An equally gay soul at Montgomery Ward—could it have been Mr. Avery himself?—answered promptly, "Dear Thonry: We ith sowwy but we ith out oo thook. Thears Woebuck never even thaw toys ath lovely ath thoue. Will oo exoop cash weefund, oo would oo wather clumb a twee?"

The Flonzaley Quartet had just concluded a concert at Town Hall when a lady descended upon the second violinist, and demanded a look at his instrument. She examined it minutely, and then exclaimed, "It looks exactly like a first violin!"

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ACQUIRES MEAT FIRM
CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP)—Oscar G. Mayer, president of Oscar Mayer and company, Inc. announced today his company had acquired the meat packing plant of Fred G. Vogt and Sons, Inc., Philadelphia.

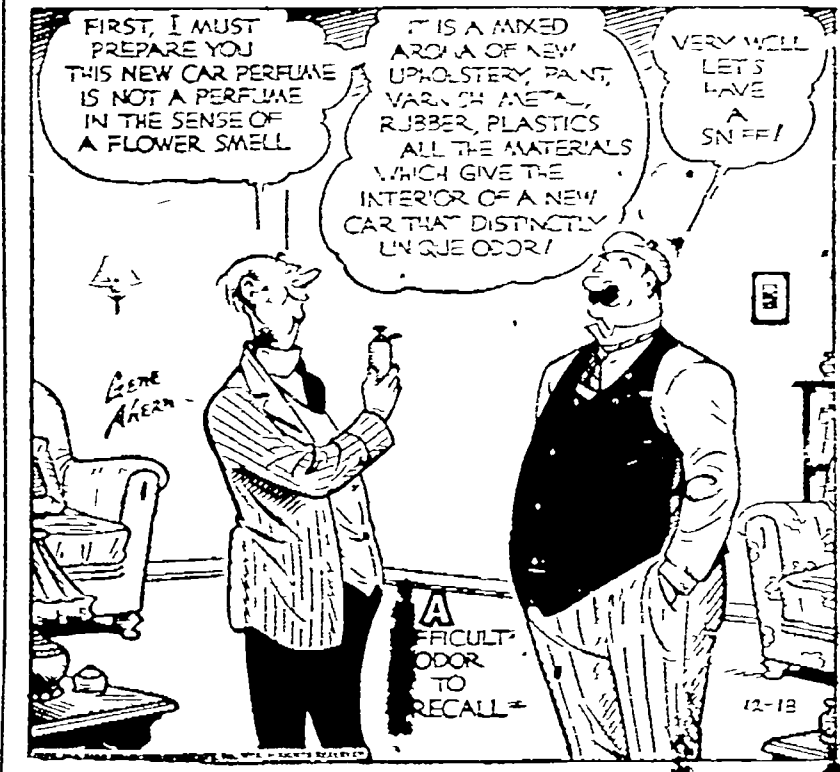
\$100,000 GIVEN TO U. OF P.
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ACROSS

- Member of aborigine race (N. Z.)
- Exile
- Mistake
- Participle (combining form)
- Rent
- Flower
- Story
- Confection
- Epoch
- Bellowing
- Greek letter
- Republic of Asia
- Life
- Mountain
- A yawning gap
- Small piece of ground
- Macaw
- Refuge, as in a desert
- Church steeple
- Harden
- Change
- Coupled
- Web-footed birds

DOWN

- Dissolve
- Region
- Verbal
- Flowers
- Anger
- Perch
- Domestic fowls
- Mythological king
- Sora
- Desecry
- Fury
- Dawn
- Relieves
- Piece out
- Flowed
- Lukely
- Man's name
- Nothing
- Hatius
- A painting
- Tree
- Formally
- reast
- River
- (Siberia)
- Touch end
- Ceremonay
- God of war
- Wither
- Spread grass to dry
- Droop in the middle

Yesterday's Answer

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

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One letter simply stands for another. In this example, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

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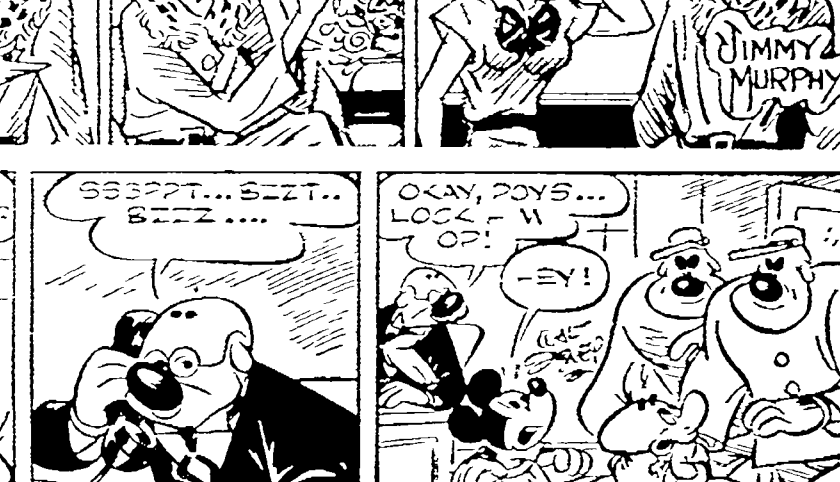
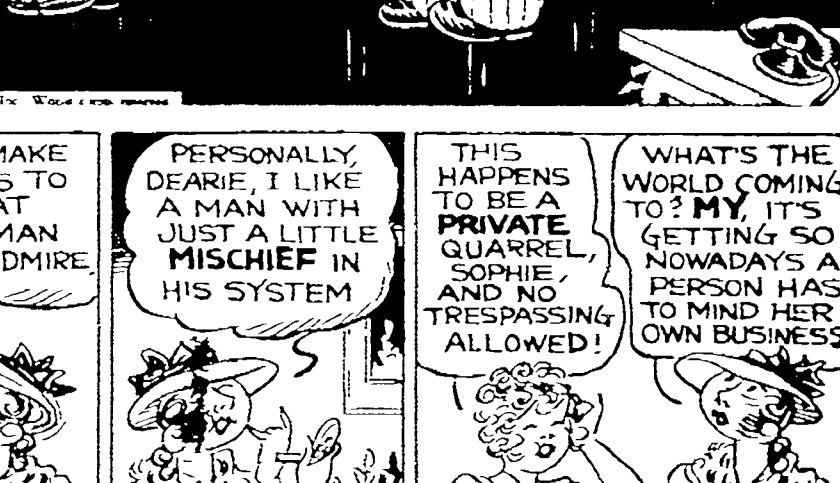
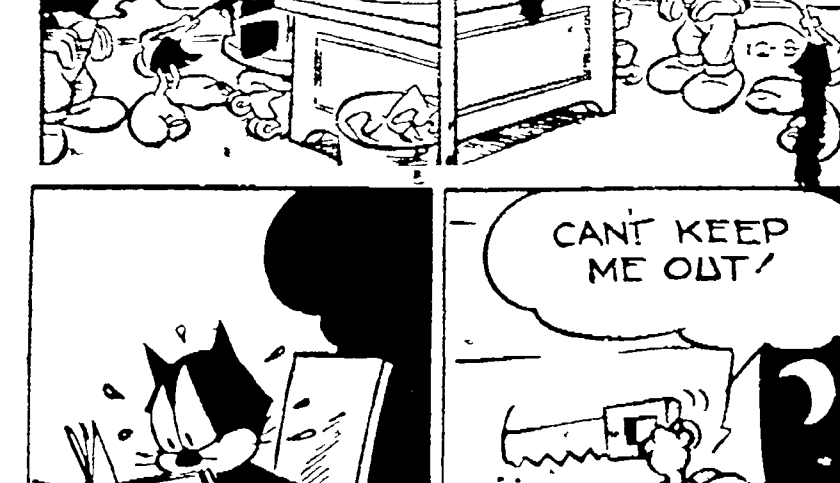
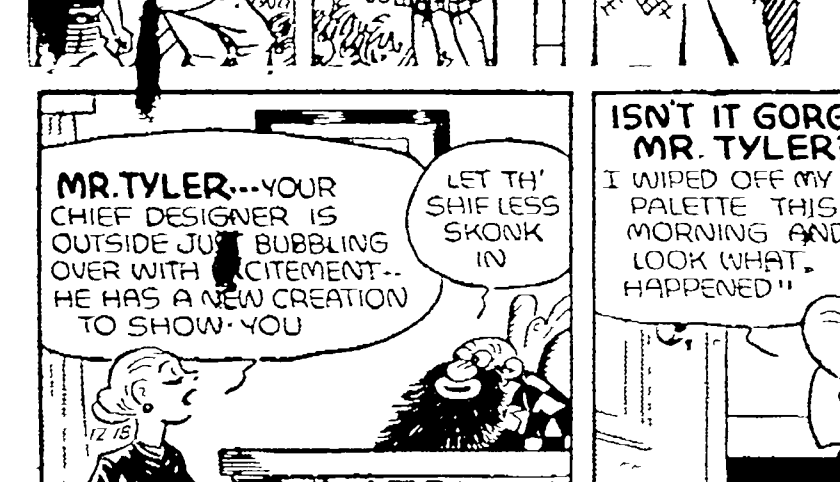
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Tall Cedars Officers Elected at Meeting; Grid Stars Honored

Spring City forest 34 Tall Cedars of Lebanon elected officers at its meeting Wednesday night in Tall Cedars temple. During the meeting the Tall Cedars also voted on the annual awards to the five outstanding football players in the local area.

Officers named were: Kenneth Rothelmer, Spring City, grand tall cedar, replacing Raymond W. Williams, Phoenixville; Charles Hurty, Royersford, senior deputy grand tall cedar; Edward Murray, Pottstown, junior deputy grand tall cedar; Charles Kern, Spring City, treasurer, and Oliver W. Mosteller, Chester Springs, scribe.

Albert W. Mansur, Spring City, was elected to a three-year term as trustee. Other trustees are S. Emmett Buckwater and Wilbur E. Wagner, Royersford. Williams, the retiring grand tall cedar, was presented with the past grand tall cedar jewel. The forest also approved a donation of \$100 to Pottstown High school to be for the football team.

PRESENTATION of the football award was made by H. Madison Allen, Phoenixville, with Williams serving as toastmaster for the dinner-meeting. The names of the five high school football boys who received the awards had been submitted or their respective coaches as the outstanding players.

Sharing in the presentations were: Joe Ujovai, Phoenixville, back; Robert Miller, Spring City, lineman; Sherwood Schnell, Royersford, back; William McCruden, North Convent, fullback; George Rath, Pottstown, end; Ujovai, Phoenixville, backfielder, won the award for the second consecutive year.

Herman B. Willard, Mont Clare, supreme tall cedar of the United States, was present and spoke briefly.

Annual Yule Service Planned Tomorrow at Methodist Church

The 21st annual Christmas Carol service will be held in Spring City Methodist church tomorrow night at 6 o'clock by the combined choirs. The program opens with an organ prelude, "The Messiah," and proceeds with "Adeste Fideles," which will conclude with "The Virgin's Lullaby."

Beside Thy Cradle Here I Stand, senior choir; scripture reading and prayer, the Rev. Charles F. Salkeld, pastor; "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" and "Wonderful Story," junior and intermediate choirs; "The Christmas Symbol" and "Glory to God in the Highest," senior choir; soprano solo, "The Virgin's Lullaby," Miss June Parfitt; "Lo, There is Born a Savior," junior and intermediate choirs; "The Little Town," senior choir, with Mrs. Gertrude Diemer, soloist; "Carol of the Bells," senior choir.

"And The Trees Do Moan," women's chorus with Clarence Gehris, soloist; "They Call Him Jesus," women's chorus; "Bethlehem," combined choirs; "Hallelujah Chorus," senior choir, recessional; "The Herald Angels Sing," combined choirs; choral benediction, senior choir, and postlude.

The Christmas Eve service will be held Friday night from 11 to 12 o'clock.

DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services for MRS. EMMA EMERY, widow of B. Frank Emery, 446 WASHINGTON STREET, ROYERSFORD, who died Sunday while visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. Edward J. Talis, Denver, Col., were conducted in a funeral home at 600 Washington street, Royersford, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Cortland R. Pusey, pastor of Royersford Methodist church, officiated. Burial was made in Fernwood cemetery. Bearers were Earl Heffline, A. L. Ernst, Claire Leishaw, Walter Hornung, Clarence and Frank Thompson.

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Card of Thanks

EVERY one who wishes to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy for the loss of my dear mother, Mrs. LILLIAN E. BUSH.

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Trinity Evangelical Congregational, the Rev. H. S. Selzer, pastor, 945 a. m. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. worship, 1:30 p. m. candle light service of pantomime and carols.

Baptist, the Rev. Fred G. Bader, pastor, 9:45 a. m. children's school, 11 a. m. worship, followed by the Christmas program.

Sacred Heart, the Rev. Joseph J. Conway, pastor, Masses at 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30.

Methodist, the Rev. Cortland R. Pusey, pastor, 9:45 a. m. children's school, 11 a. m. worship, 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve service.

Grace Lutheran, the Rev. Paul H. Hertz, pastor, 9:30 a. m. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. worship, 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve service.

Epiphany (Episcopal), the Rev. G. W. Aronson, pastor, 9:30 a. m. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. worship, 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve service.

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2d Honeymoon



Bernarr MacFadden (above), 80-year-old physical culturist, announced yesterday in New York that he and his 43-year-old wife will take a second honeymoon this Christmas. They will go to Miami Beach.

Six-Year-Old Girl Dies, Four Are Hurt in Fire

DICKSON CITY, Dec. 17. (AP)—Five leveled a home today killing a six-year-old girl and injuring four other members of her family. The victim was Carol Mikowski. Her mother, Mary, 42, suffered a

Re. Paul E. Baer minister, 9:30 a. m. Sunday school, 10:30 a. m. worship, 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve service.

Methodist the Rev. Charles F. Salkeld, pastor, 9:45 a. m. Sunday school, 11 a. m. worship, 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve service.

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Trojans Lose in Overtime, 41-39

GOODMEN BLOW 16-POINT LEAD AT LANCASTER

McCasky High Rallies For First Victory Over Trojans in Eight Years

LANCASTER, Dec. 17—A scrappy McCasky High basketball team surprised a small crowd of only 200 fans with a story book finish here tonight to win their first game from Pottstown High in eight years.

Trailing by 16 points at half-time, McCasky's cagers turned an almost certain defeat into a 41-39 victory over the Trojans in a thriller that needed an extra period to decide the winner.

The hosts opened up with a barrage of field goals shortly after the third period started, and they didn't stop until Harry Eise took the overtime field goal in the three-minute extra stanza to clinch the victory.

Prior to tonight's tussle, Pottstown was boasting a perfect record over its Lancaster opponent—seven consecutive victories.

WITH BROWER YERGER setting the pace, the visitors from Pottstown built up a 12-5 lead in the opening canto and then increased that lead to 25-9 at intermission, and it looked as though the Trojans would run away with their eighth straight win over the McCasky quintet.

However, John Russell and Tom Wolf wanted their say in the matter and took matters into their own hands in the second half.

Russell and Wolf found the range of the Pottstown basket early in the third period and started a Lancaster rally that produced 30 points in the second half. It was Russell and Wolf who did most of the scoring in Lancaster's 19-point spurt in the fourth period.

POTTSTOWN couldn't get its offense rolling in the second half and couldn't find a way to halt the astonishing McCasky cagers. After the regulation four periods, the two high school quintets were deadlocked at 39-39.

The Trojans took six shots in the three-minute overtime period and couldn't hit for a field goal. With only eight seconds remaining in the extra period, Joe Pollick was fouled in the act of shooting and was given two free throws.

The Pottstown forward missed his first free throw and the Trojans elected to wave the second foul and take the ball out of bounds at midcourt. They failed to net a field goal and Lancaster "froze" the ball until the end game.

Yerger and Rath kept the Trojans in the game with 32 points between them. Yerger accounted for 20 digits and Rath tabbed 12.

The setback was the third in succession suffered by the Trojans since their 50-48 conquest of Doylestown in the season's opener.

Pottstown G. F. P. Russell, 5 0 10
Formando, 1 0 0
Pollick, 1 0 0
Spate, 1 0 0
Rath, 3 5 12
Mauger, 0 1 1

Totals 12 15 39
Score by periods: 12 13 7 7
Lancaster 5 4 11 19 41

Bill Veeck Purchases Texas League Team

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 17 (AP)—Bill Veeck, president of the Cleveland Indians announced here tonight that he and two partners had purchased the Oklahoma City Indians of the Texas league for an undisclosed amount.

Veeck named E. J. (Jimmy) Humphries and Rude Schaffer, business manager of the Cleveland club, as the partners. Humphries has been associated with the Oklahoma City club for the past 30 years, serving more recently as president and general manager.

Harold O. Pope, president of the club since Nov. 30, 1942, was present when Veeck announced the sale, during an interview. Pope said he will devote his full time to the oil business.

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BOBBE SIDELINED
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17 (AP)—Nelson Bobb, Temple university's high-scoring forward, was sidelined today for two weeks with a bone bruise to his left heel.

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BULLDOGS LOSE TO WHITPAIN IN LAST MINUTE

Two Field Goals in Final 51 Seconds Dump Pennsburg Five, 19-17

Two field goals in the last 51 seconds gave Whitpain High a 19-17 victory over Pennsburg High last night in a non-league game on the latter's court.

The Bulldogs, starting their first season under Coach Lou Pirnik, appeared to be headed for a 17-13 victory as the last minute of the game started ticking away.

Paul Gerhart stepped to the foul line for the hosts with only 51 seconds remaining and had a chance to clinch the win for Pennsburg. He missed both of the free tosses, but Pennsburg regained possession of the ball when a Whitpain player knocked the sphere out of bounds.

Then as the Bulldogs were trying to pass the ball down the floor, Ray Simmons intercepted for Whitpain and tied the score at 17-17. A few seconds later, Jay Reager intercepted another Pennsburg pass and dropped a lay-up shot to put the visitors in front at 19-17.

Whitpain sported a slim 6-5 lead at the end of the first quarter, fell behind in the early moments of the second stanza and didn't regain the lead until Reager's field goal in the closing seconds of the game.

The victory evened Whitpain's record at one win and one defeat. Last night's game opened Pennsburg's 1948-49 season.

Pennsburg G. F. P. Gerhart, 1 0 2
Kadach, 1 0 0
Stille, 1 0 0
Buck, 1 0 0
Nolte, 1 0 0
Mutter, 1 0 2

Totals 3 17
Score by periods: 5 4 3 5
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Lancaster Nips Baby Trojans By 28-26 Score

Harry Slothoun climaxed a thrilling fourth period rally with his only field goal of the game in the last 20 seconds to give McCasky High's junior varsity a 28-26 victory over the Baby Trojans of Pottstown last night at Lancaster.

The Lancaster quintet was trailing by six points as the fourth period got underway, but Pottstown was unable to hold its lead. The hosts tied the score at 26-26 with a minute remaining to set the stage for Slothoun's game-winning double deuce.

Pottstown took a slim two-point lead over McCasky in the first period and widened the margin to seven points at intermission. Lancaster chopped one point off Pottstown's lead in the third stanza and then went all out in the last eight minutes.

Paul Dutenhofer of Pottstown and Jimmy Owens of Lancaster tied for scoring honors with nine points apiece.

The defeat was the third in succession for the Baby Trojans after winning their opener from West Pottsgrove.

Pottstown G. F. P. Jezzi, 1 0 2
Retzow, 1 0 0
Dach, 1 0 0
Hallman, 1 0 0
Dutenhofer, 1 0 2
Seidel, 1 0 0
Frog, 1 0 0
Rickerts, 1 0 0
Hathfield, 1 0 0
Moore, 1 0 0

Totals 6 25
Score by periods: 5 13 3 5 26

Lancaster 3 3 4 13 23

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Eagles Drop Cage Opener To Phoenixville Five, 36-24

With Joey Ujohai and Bill Callahan accounting for 30 points, Phoenixville High's Phantoms outclassed Royersford by a 36-24 score last night in the season's first basketball game for both schools at Phoenixville.

Ujohai, Phantom football star, and Callahan, former North Coventry High athlete, dunked seven field goals apiece and each made good on one free throw.

Hal Buckwalter and Bob Stee tabbed the other Phoenixville field goals.

With Ujohai and Callahan getting off to a good start, the Phantoms took a 15-7 lead in the first quarter and managed to increase the margin in every quarter thereafter.

THE EAGLES, Montco champions a year ago, couldn't cope with the bigger Phoenixville quintet and fell behind in the early minutes of the game.

In the preliminary tussle, Phoenixville romped to a 45-16 conquest of the Royersford junior varsity aggregation. Setzler and Jogan scored 10 points apiece for the Phantoms.

The Eagles will travel to Boyertown for their next game Tuesday night and then will be idle until Jan. 4 when the Inter-County league season opens.

ROYERSFORD G. F. P. Carl, 1 0 2
Gless, 1 0 0
Foreman, 1 0 0
Neubert, 1 0 0
Faus, 1 0 0
Judge, 1 0 0
Hech, 1 0 0
Jogan, 1 0 0
Freud, 1 0 0

Totals 10 24
Score by periods: 7 5 3 9 24

Phoenixville 15 6 10 15 46

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These Shoes Hard to Fill



Two years from now Coach Bud Foster of the University of Wisconsin cagers is going to have a tough time filling the shoes of Center Bill Bleckwenn, who is a mere 6 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 240 pounds and wears a size 15 tennis shoe. Foster, pictured, says it's the first time in his 15-year coaching career that he's had a player with such big brogans.

KUTZTOWN ROUTS AMITY HIGH TEAM BY 68-22 SCORE

Kutztown High rolled to its third consecutive victory in the Northern division of the Berks County league last night by handing Amity High a 68-22 setback on the Kutztown court.

Just as in the Boyertown game the past Tuesday, Kutztown used nine players in the game and all broke into the scoring column. Jack Barto led the attack with 19 points and Tom Buchman was runnerup with 10.

The hosts started fast and built up a commanding 13-point lead in the first period. The entire squad saw action in the second quarter and hit its peak with 23 points for a 41-11 lead at intermission.

Amity tightened its defense in the second half and managed to hold Kutztown to 27 points in the last two periods.

In the preliminary, Kutztown outclassed Amity's junior varsity, 46-23.

VARSITY GAME
Amity G. F. P. Grawe, 1 0 2
Brown, 1 0 0
Levensong, 1 0 0
Hartline, 1 0 0
Shrods, 1 0 0
Klein, 1 0 0
East, 1 0 0

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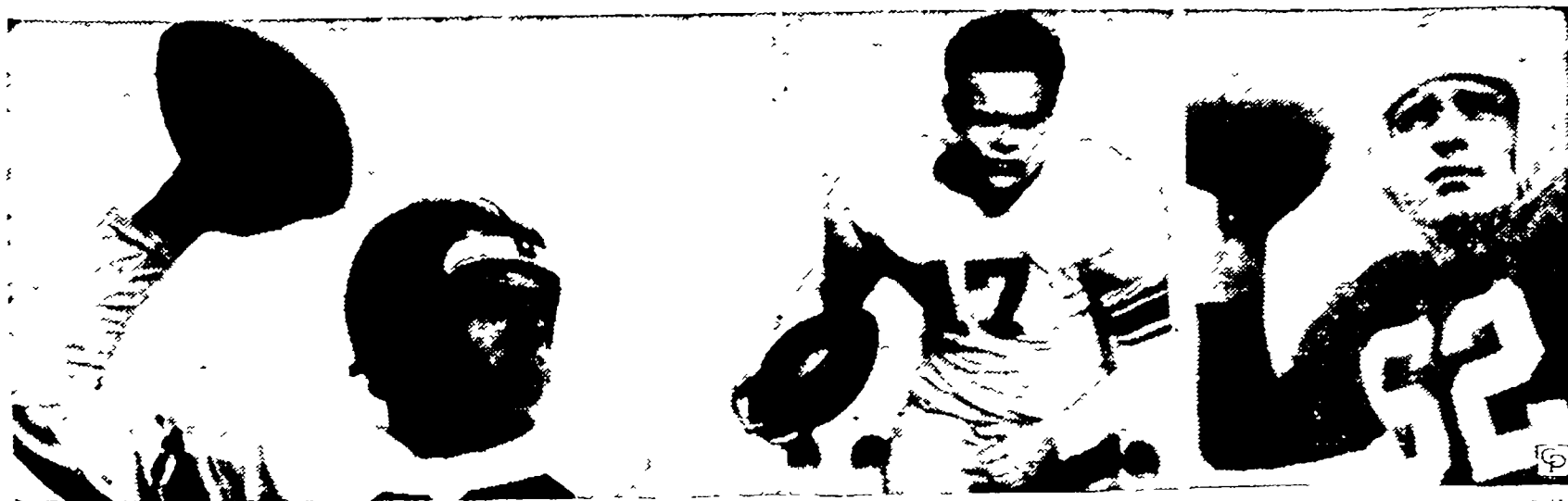
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Lead Teams in Pro Loop Championship Games Tomorrow



Professional football brings down the curtain on the 1948 season tomorrow afternoon with championship games in both circuits. At Cleveland Otto Graham (left) will lead the Cleveland Browns against the Buffalo Bills in the All-America conference title game. In the Na-

tional league, the Chicago Cardinals with Charlie Trippi (right) and the Philadelphia Eagles, paced by Steve Van Buren (center), clash at Philadelphia. Graham, Trippi and Van Buren were chosen on the Associated Press All-Pro team.

Cardinals Rated Slim Favorites Over Eagles in Pro Title Game

Play Will Continue Should Teams Finish Regular Game in Tie

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17 (P)—If the records mean anything, the Chicago Cardinals and Philadelphia Eagles probably will need the Shibe Park lights and a sudden death extra period to determine the National Football league championship Sunday.

There never has been a sudden death period in a title game. But should the Cards and Eagles finish the regulation four quarters in a tie, they will continue play until a deciding score is made. The fifth quarter would start with a regular kickoff.

The Cardinals were rated a 3½ point favorite today to win the 16th annual NFL title game, but just look at the 1948 season figures.

CONSIDERED one of the greatest offensive teams ever collected, the Cards' Western division champions—ground out 2560 yards running compared to 2376 for the Eagles, Eastern division kings. On the other hand, Coach Greasy Neale's Eagles picked up 2241 yards passing to 2136 yards through the air for Chicago.

The Cardinals scored 395 points to 374 for the Eagles, but Philadelphia allowed opponents only 156 to 226 for the Cards.

The comparison winds on with Philadelphia showing 241 first downs offensively to 233 for the Cardinals. And 158 first downs allowed to 190 by Chicago.

THE CARDINALS will be the toughest for the stout Eagle line, with Casey Charley Trippi and power running Elmer Angsman and Pat Harder leading the ball.

The Eagles' Tommy Thompson—league leading passer—should keep Cardinal pass defenders hopping for some 60 minutes. Of course Cardinal Coach Jimmy Conzelmann can't afford to allow his team to forget a fellow by the name of Steve Van Buren. The Louisiana golden boy—top ground gainer in the loop—is primed for his greatest effort against Chicago, a team that has accorded him little success.

This comparison of two great football teams doesn't stop with team figures. Man for man they're as even as Siamese twins.

THREE INDIVIDUAL league titles were won by the Eagles during the 1948 season. Thompson won passing laurels, Van Buren running honors and Johnny Joe Mula outbooted the league's finest.

For the Western division champions, Pat Harder won the league scoring championship with teammate Mal Kutner second. Jerry Davis was second in both kickoff returns and punt returns and Trippi, Harder and Angsman were listed among the top six ground gainers.

The U. S. weather bureau says its long range forecast calls for rain or snow or a mixture of both for the title encounter.

Sandy Saddler Halts Terry Young In 10th Round of Garden Feature

Special Train Takes Wildcats To Rose Bowl

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (P)—Northwestern's high spirited football warriors will leave by special train for the Pacific Coast tomorrow for what all concerned hope will be a victory over undefeated University of California in the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena on New Year's Day.

Forty-four players, plus the coaching staff and a group of Northwestern officials and faculty members will make the trip. The party is due to arrive at Pasadena at 9 a. m., Monday to receive a rousing welcome in ceremonies arranged by the Tournament of Roses committee.

Coach Bob Voight's said the squad will be driven through twice daily workouts Tuesday through Friday. The players will be rested on Saturday, Christmas Day, and Sunday. Then more double workouts the following week. As a precaution, Coach Voight ordered cans of water to be taken along to avoid the possibility of digestive upsets.

THE TRIP to the West coast will be second of the season for the Wildcats. Northwestern opened its 1948 schedule with a 19-0 victory over UCLA in Los Angeles. Coach Voight is positive that his Wildcats face even a tougher assignment on this second trip.

The team, which finished its regular season with a 20-7 triumph over Illinois, resumed practice three weeks layoff the players kept in condition by taking light gymnasium workouts.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (P)—Featherweight champion Sandy Saddler, an expert butcher with a cleaver left, carried up rough Terry Young tonight stopping the East S de toughest after 27 seconds of the tenth and last round of a non-title bout tonight at Madison Square Garden. Saddler weighed 128, Young 136.

With blood pouring from a deep gash over Young's left eye, Referee Eddie Joseph stopped the bout to save Terry from serious injury.

Young, who never had been knocked out, refused to go down but he sagged in his corner in the ninth and almost pitched over on his face.

FOR A TIME it seemed that Young had a chance against this ruthless young Negro from Harlem. But Saddler's talented left was too much for him. Sandy, a spindly-legged craftsman, threw that left like a man smashing weeds with a sickle. He didn't miss often enough for Terry.

A crowd of 9081 which paid \$22,222 gross turned out for the last Garden show of the 1948 season.

Saddler, in his first Garden appearance, since he snatched the featherweight crown from Willie Pep's head, left Young's eye a sorry mess. There was a cut over the eye and a large swelling underneath. It closed rapidly in the eighth, ninth and tenth.

That sickle left of Saddler caught Young at will, even when Terry tried to hold on in the clinches as he fought with his head on Sandy's chest.

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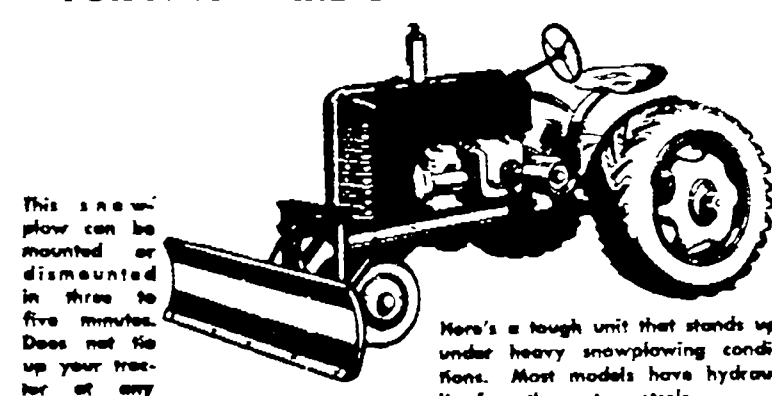
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PIAA Schools Pass Revisions Of Constitution

HARRISBURG, Dec. 17 (P)—The new revision of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association's constitution since 1936 has been accepted by member districts.

Edmund Wick, PIAA executive secretary, announced acceptance of the new constitution today after studying returns from 12 districts which voted on the issue.

The revised constitution includes mainly a re-configuration and streamlining of existing rules. It makes no major changes in player rules.

Wick said complete returns not yet been tabulated but added that the outcome is still doubtful on only one amendment. This amendment provides that any player who participated in four quarters of varsity football or in eight quarters of varsity basketball will be ineligible to participate in junior varsity competition for the remainder of the season in which the varsity competition took place.

Wick also disclosed that District Six has submitted a resolution prohibiting the PIAA central office from "re-declaring any of its powers except to individuals or high schools directly connected with the PIAA membership."

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All-America League Still Lives; Ingram Wants Peace With NFL

CLEVELAND, Dec. 17 (P)—The All-America Football conference will stay in business in 1949 with the same eight clubs, but there may be a new commissioner at the head of the junior professional grid loop.

Commissioner Jonas Ingram tonight spelled long-standing and increasing rumors that the conference, or at least some of its weaker members, would fold up. He told club officials in their annual meeting here.

"We are proceeding with plans for next year and will hold our draft meeting as scheduled Monday. Co-operative relations with the National Football league continue to be the desire of our conference."

Directly from Ingram came the news the conference may soon be looking for a new boss. He said: "Unless there is peace between the two leagues within the next 30 days, I am through with professional football. I took this job two years ago after my retirement from the Navy and the intention of staying for only one year. I thought I could bring about a settlement between the leagues. It's still my hope to see them get together, and that doesn't happen soon I'll stay here."

INGRAM BECAME commissioner two years ago, succeeding Jimmy Crowley, who took over the Chicago Rockets.

Earlier, another hint of peace

came from Ben P. Lindheimer, owner of the Los Angeles Dons and chairman of the A-A executive committee.

In a long statement declaring scouting costs had been reduced, he said of players, "Whether they come into our conference, we want them in professional football."

Lindheimer's statement also referred reports that the A-A was ready to fold, looking forward to better competition in 1949 and pointing out that the conference's 1948 attendance was only 549 percent below that of 1947.

PRIOR to Lindheimer's announcement, Dan Topping, President of the New York Yankees, said he would be glad to serve as umpire on Dec. 26 should the winner of the National league title game and the A-A champion agree to meet.

Only five members of the 1948 New York Rangers hockey squad were with the club during the 1948-49 season.

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Basketball Franchise Switched to Dayton Phillie Turn Down Offer For Sister

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (P)—The Dayton franchise of the National Basketball league was switched today to Dayton, O., because of declining attendance.

The New York Rens, one of the outstanding Negro teams in the nation, will represent Dayton as the Dayton Rens. They will start play Sunday night, meeting the Anderson, Ind., Packers.

The transfer was announced by E. W. Duffey, Anderson, Ind., president of the league, and D. K. Moore, coach, Rens.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17 (P)—President Robert R. M. (Boo) Carpenter Jr., of the Philadelphia Phillies disclosed today he had turned down a "considerable sum" of money for first baseman Dick Sisler.

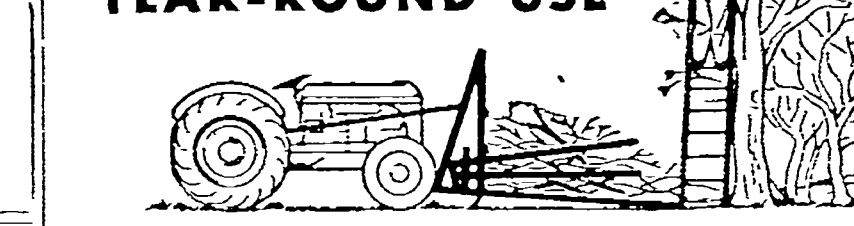
Carpenter said the offer had been made by Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

"Two other clubs, one not too far from Brooklyn, also have made offers for Sisler," Carpenter added.

Eddie Waitkus, secured this week from the Chicago Cubs, is expected to replace Sisler at first base for the Phils next season.

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Young Doctor Takes Poison After Police Nab Him in Slaying

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17 (AP) — Dr. Robert C. Rutledge, accused of fatally stabbing an admirer of his attractive wife, swallowed poison today when police went to his apartment to arrest him. His condition was critical.

The 27-year-old assistant resident physician at Children's hospital was charged with first degree murder in a preliminary warrant issued in Cedar Rapids, Ia.

He was charged in the slaying of Byron C. Hattman, 29, an engineer for a St. Louis electrical manufacturing firm whose battered body was found in a Cedar Rapids hotel room the past Wednesday.

DETECTIVE SGT. Charles Beckman quoted Mrs. Sydney Rutledge, 23-year-old blonde, as saying her husband quarreled with Hattman over the latter's attentions to her. She said her husband followed Hattman, a bachelor, to Iowa Tuesday "to have it out with Byron once and for all."

Under questioning, Mrs. Rutledge said her husband returned to St. Louis Wednesday and told her Hattman had "pulled a knife" during a fight in the hotel room.

"He said he took the knife away from Byron and knocked him out," Mrs. Rutledge told police. "Then he said he left right away. When we saw in the newspaper Wednesday night that Byron was dead, Bob said that was the first he knew of it. He said he couldn't understand how Byron could have been stabbed."

THE HANDSOME YOUNG doctor was in the bath room when police arrived at his apartment, and said nothing of the poison until after he collapsed in a squad car en route to police headquarters. He was taken to city hospital and was in a semi-conscious condition.

Mrs. Rutledge met Hattman the past February when she went to work at the company where he was employed. She said she went boating with him and several other employees on the Mississippi river the past July.

"That was all there was to that," Beckman quoted her as saying. "But a week later, I went boating with him again. This time we had too many drinks and wound up in my apartment. My husband was working at the time." She admitted having sexual relations with Hattman at that time.

Dr. Rutledge learned about Hattman's visit to the apartment, his wife told police, and made repeated telephone calls to Hattman.

THE YOUNG PEDIATRICIAN and his wife were married in June, 1946, three months after he was graduated from Washington university medical school here. He later served 15 months in the Navy and took his internship in a Navy

Discuss 'Southern Syria' State



Arab leaders are pictured (top) attending one of a series of meetings held in Jericho, Palestine, to discuss the formation of Arab Palestine and Trans-Jordan as one united country under King Abdullah The new nation would be known as "Southern Syria." Below, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of Israel (seated at table), seeks the reaction of Abdul E. Khadr, Druse leader, on the formation of the new state. Considered a foreign element in Arab countries, the Druses are seeking to become incorporated into the new Israeli government.

Two Area Veterans Enlist For Service in Europe

Two Pottstown area young men have enlisted for three-year hitch in the Army overseas, it was announced yesterday by Mr. Sgt. Francis J. Vessel, U. S. Army recruiter at the postoffice here.

David R. Amole, Douglassville RD 1, has enlisted for three years and will join the constabulary forces in Europe. Percy N. Miller, 24, Barto RD 1, enlisted for unassigned service with the European command. Both men are veterans.

Sergeant Vessel pointed out that 18-year-olds who enlist under the Army's one year plan cannot be drafted upon completion of the year's training.

hospital at Boston. Before he came here, he lived in Houston, Tex. Mrs. Rutledge, who is six feet tall, is the daughter of Dr. Howard D. Goodrich of Hannibal, Mo., president of the Missouri State board of medical examiners.

Talmadge Maps 'White Supremacy' Plan Which Would Ban Negroes From Voting

ATLANTA, Dec. 17 (AP) — Gov. Herman Talmadge and his legislative leaders came out today with a "white supremacy" program frankly aimed at barring 80 percent of Georgia Negroes from voting.



Talmadge

Hardly a ripple of opposition was apparent as the plan was outlined at an informal conference of 75 legislators. The program is being drafted for a regular meeting of the Georgia general assembly Jan. 10.

The core of the plan is to wipe all present voters' registration lists off the books. Then a complete new State-wide registration would be undertaken with emphasis on "educational qualification" of voters.

House Speaker Fred Hand, who will steer the measure in the legislature for Talmadge, told lawmakers today: "A good education qualification will cut out 80 percent of this ignorant black vote in Georgia. I like to think of it that way instead of going into this color angle."

"Under this plan it will no longer be a menace. It will fix things where we can handle it."

Hand reminded the assemblymen that 46 Georgia counties have more Negroes than whites, and Negroes form 25 percent of the population in 114 of the State's 159 counties.

"You might not think 25 percent is so bad," he said. "But look

at the voting returns and see how much you won by."

Hand said the Georgia plan would be similar to the "Boswell amendment" in Alabama, which requires prospective voters to interpret the Constitution to the satisfaction of registrars. Alabama political leaders said it was aimed at Negro voting.

HAND ASSURED the group the Georgia plan would "hold water" be constitutional.

During Talmadge's campaign the past Summer he often shouted, "I can't have an all-white primary in Georgia, then we went one just as white as we can get it."

Speaker Hand said he based his estimate that 80 percent of Negroes would be barred from polls on educators' statistics. "Only 20 percent of Georgia Negroes have passed the sixth grade in a notoriously bad school system," he said. "That is equal to about the third grade in white schools."

Hand said bloc voting by such an uneducated group was "a serious problem. They are led to the polls like sheep and told how to vote. They don't know what they are doing."

He said he hoped to improve Negro educational standards so more Negroes would become qualified to vote in the future.

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Union Official Fined For Insisting to Talk

YORK, Ia., Dec. 17 (AP)—A union official was fined \$300 in police court today for insisting upon talking in a furniture factory office.

Magistrate Raymond M. Sohl imposed the fine on a charge of disorderly conduct on Abe Klein, who identified himself as a representative of the AFL-Upholsters' International union.

Klein paid the fine under protest after unsuccessfully trying to have the hearing postponed so he could consult the union's attorney. He told the magistrate he had no defense to present "at this time."

Donald Denavan, an employe of

the Home Furniture and Thonet Brothers company, testified at the hearing that Klein, with 50 workers, appeared in the company's office yesterday and demanded an immediate settlement of a question involving a \$5 bonus for workers.

TREASURY BALANCE
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The position of the Treasury, Dec. 15: Receipts, \$200,990,850.67; expenditures, \$633,098,345.13; balance, \$2,238,546,971.68; total debt, \$252,183,974,319.07; decrease under previous day, \$53,856,999.67.



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